

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 8/9/2023 VisitType: Complaint Investigation & Arrival: 9:00 AM Departure: 12:50 PM

Monitoring Visit

CCLC-58385
Carrollton Prep Academy

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Quality Rated:





Com	pliance Zone Desig		Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient.  Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting						
08/09/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing							
04/20/2023	Complaint Investigation & Initial Licensing Study	N/A	''	the rules.  Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.  Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting					
04/20/2023	Complaint Closure	Good Standing		the rules.					

#### Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	Playground A Infants- 2's		0	0	С	0	С	NA	NA	
Main	Room A	Infants and One Year Olds	2	12	С	6	NC	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	Room B	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	13	С	16	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room C	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	С	17	С	NA	NA	Centers
`		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 39			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 38		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 39			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

BuildingPlaygroundPlayground OccupancyPlayground ComplianceMainPlayground B (3+)34C

#### **Comments**

Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/09/2023

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).

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Please refer to the website, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care
programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered
sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at http://qbi.georgia.gov to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

#### Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA <u>www.decalkoala.com</u> with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)





# Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

SHANELLE ROE, Program Official	Date	Tomekia Hudson, Regional Consultant	Date

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# (Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# **Activities and Equipment**

591-1-1-.03 Activities Met

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

Corrected on 8/9/2023

.03(7)(a) - Citation corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR) Met

Comment

Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

Corrected on 8/9/2023

.12(3) - Citation corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Not Met

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Correction Deadline: 5/20/2023

Corrected on 8/9/2023

.25(11) - Citation corrected on this date.

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on consultant observation clorox, soap, and disinfectant spray was located in bottom unlocked cabinet in classroom C.

## **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 8/9/2023

#### **591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**

Met

#### Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

#### Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 5/20/2023

## Corrected on 8/9/2023

.26(3) - Citation corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 5/4/2023

#### Corrected on 8/9/2023

.26(9) - Citation corrected on this date.

**Food Service** 

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

#### Comment

Please ensure that bottles are covered and fully labeled with child's full name.

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

#### Corrected on 8/9/2023

.15(3) - Citation corrected on this date.

# 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/30/2023

# **Corrected on 8/9/2023**

.18(3) - Citation corrected on this date.

**Health and Hygiene** 

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# 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

# 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

#### Corrected on 8/9/2023

.17(7) - Citation corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

#### Corrected on 8/9/2023

.17(8) - Citation corrected on this date.

# 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

## 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

# 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

# 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

#### Corrected on 8/9/2023

.30(1)(c) - Citation corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

### Corrected on 8/9/2023

.30(1)(d) - Citation corrected on this date.

### **Finding**

591-1-1-.30(4). requires that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags. It was determined based on the Consultant's observation that the cots were not covered and was accessible to the children in Room B..

#### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will store cots and mats so children do not have access to them and they don't take up play space and will store them so each child's bedding is separate from the others.

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Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023

Recited on 8/9/2023

Staff Records

# 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met

#### Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

# Staffing and Supervision

# 591-1-1-.32 Staff: Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

**Not Met** 

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

#### Corrected on 8/9/2023

.32(2) - Citation corrected on this date.

#### Finding

591-1-1-.32(4) requires that children under three years old be housed in separate physical areas from older children and cannot be mixed with older children except at specified times and circumstances. It was determined .based on the Consultant's observation that class room C which housed nine two- year- olds had four three-year-olds on the day of the visit.

# **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will maintain separation of these children under three years old.

Correction Deadline: 8/9/2023

Recited on 8/9/2023

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

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.32(7) - Citation corrected on this date.

The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Visit:

# **Activities and Equipment**

591-1-1-.03 Activities Met

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Correction Deadline: 4/20/2023

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.03(14) - Citation corrected on this date.