



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/25/2023 VisitType: Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study Arrival: 10:45 AM Departure: 3:45 PM

CCLC-39583

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
05/25/2023	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/02/2023	Complaint Closure	Support	
02/02/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
			Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
			Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.
			Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A- 1R	Infants	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B-2R	One Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	C- 3R	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D- Back Right	One Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	E- Back Middle		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F- 3L	GA PreK	2	20	C	42	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	G- 2L	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	27	C	NA	NA	Story, Transitioning
Main	H- 1L	Four Year Olds	2	13	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 174					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 82					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- 4+ Years	47	C
Main	B- Toddlers	57	C
Main	C- Infant	11	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to follow up to a visit conducted on February 2, 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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>, 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://gbi.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 www.decalkoala.com 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 1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Dana Gardner, Program Official

Date

Brionne Higgins, Consultant

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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)

N/A

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the yellow and red slide located on a preschool playground was cracked posing a potential hazard to children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2023**Food Service****591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

Correction Deadline: 2/2/2023**Corrected on 5/25/2023****.15(2)(a)- Previous citation corrected on this date.****591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations****Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene**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**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures**591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices****Met****Comment**

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)	Met
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Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)	Met
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Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	Met
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Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

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

591-1-1-.09(1)(j) - Consultant observed a satisfactory records check for one staff member present and working for children however, the CBC was not ported over. Center management staff spoke with a CBC personnel at the department who stated that the portability request was hung up in the system. Personnel stated that a portability request was observed to be completed by the center however, the system was experiencing issues. Center staff was observed to complete a CBC application for the staff member and asked the staff member to leave immediately.

Correction Deadline: 5/25/2023

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR	Met
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Comment

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles.

Comment

Please be mindful of training expiration dates.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training	Technical Assistance
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Comment

Discussed staff training. Please obtain required documentation.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(4) - Consultant discussed ensuring that the director and all persons responsible for food preparation obtain the four food training as required.

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2023

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Visit:

Staffing and Supervision

Correction Deadline: 2/2/2023

Corrected on 5/25/2023

.32(1) - Previous citation corrected on this date. Consultant observed appropriate staff:child ratios to be maintained in all classrooms.