



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 6/23/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 1:00 PM

Departure: 2:30 PM

CCLC-1369

Candy Cane City Nursery School

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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. 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.
06/23/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/19/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/16/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Bld II	G-1st upper rt	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	12	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Bld II	I-Bottom Right	Six Year Olds and Over	2	14	C	0	NC	NA	NA	Nap
Bld II	Pre-K Lower(H-I)		0	0	C	53	C	NA	NA	
Bld II	Room F-lower right		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 90			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Green Bld	D	Four Year Olds	1	16	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 16			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	1st right	One Year Olds	2	8	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B 1st left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	C	7	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-2nd left		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA	
Main	Cafeteria- 3rd left		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 48			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 56			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Black Top Playground	30	C
Main	Infant Playground	4	C

Main	Large/Back Playground	93	C
Main	Left Playground	20	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on June 23, 2022 with the Director Gloria Flanning. An Administrative Review was conducted on June 29, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/23/2022

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.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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



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 qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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)

Gloria Fanning, Program Official

Date

Jessica Johnson, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

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)

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)

Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. 591-1-1-.26 – Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards: - Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys. Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area. Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.). Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area. Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather. Fall zones and resilient surface.

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)	Met
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Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	Technical Assistance
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Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36 - Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director. Consultant discussed with Director adding vehicle tag number to transportation checklist.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)4 requires that a light cover be available for each child's use on a cot or mat and shall be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If marked for individual use, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed.

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2022

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 15

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
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Staff # 1	Met
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Date of Hire: 08/05/2021

Staff # 2	Met
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Date of Hire: 09/03/2021

Staff # 3	Met
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Staff # 4	Met
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Date of Hire: 08/04/2008

Staff # 5	Met
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Records Reviewed: 15**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 10/17/1995

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 01/06/1986

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 02/01/1998

Staff # 8 Met

Staff # 9 Met

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 08/06/2018

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 02/02/2011

Staff # 12 Met

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 08/05/2013

Staff # 14 Met

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/1999

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met**Correction Deadline: 3/18/2021****Corrected on 6/23/2022****.33(5) - Based on review of records citation was observed corrected. Center provided staff training documentation.****591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met****Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) Met**

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.