



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Atlanta, GA 30334**

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Date: 7/27/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 3:00 PM **Departure:** 5:25 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

| Compliance Zone Designation | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| 07/27/2023 | Complaint Investigation Follow Up | Good Standing |
| 07/27/2023 | TA Follow Up | Good Standing |
| 07/17/2023 | TA Follow Up | Good Standing |

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.

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-1st right side | | 0 | 0 | C | 46 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | B- 2nd left Preschool | Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over | 2 | 11 | C | 56 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | C-Left side infants | One Year Olds and Two Year Olds | 2 | 8 | C | 41 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning,Na p |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 125 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | 0 | | Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks |
| Total # Children this Date: | | | 19 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | 0 | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | A-Preschool and School-age | 31 | C |
| Main | B-Infant and Toddler | 17 | C |

Comments

07-27-2023: The purpose of the visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and to follow up on the previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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.decgal.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@decgal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Michelle Wells, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Facility

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(4) requires the Center to maintain the temperature in the range of 65 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit and to ventilate the Center be ventilated either by mechanical or natural means for the purpose of providing fresh air and controlling unpleasant odors. Facilities which do not have a functioning central heating and air-conditioning system shall make fifty percent (50%) of all required windows operable for ventilation. Any openings used for ventilation shall be screened. It was determined based of consultants observation the center did not have a functioning air condition system on the right side of the building causing the A-1st right side classroom temperature to be 90 degrees and the adjacent classroom B- 2nd left Preschool temperature to be 82 degrees on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add screen(s), if needed. The designated person(s) will check frequently to ensure the Center's temperature is maintained at 65 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit, will monitor to ensure that either natural or mechanical ventilation provides fresh air and controls unpleasant odors, and that any openings used for ventilation are screened.

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2023

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/16/2023

Corrected on 7/27/2023

.17(2) - The previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that children were observed to be kept clean, dry and comfortable on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)3 requires that sheets or similar coverings for cots or mats shall either be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If marked for individual use, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed. It was determined, based on consultant's observation, that four children were sleeping on cots without sheets or similar coverings present in C- Left side infants on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that sheets are marked for individual use or washed daily and that marked sheets are washed at least weekly.

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2023