



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/31/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:00 AM **Departure:** 11:00 AM

CCLC-25146

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
01/31/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
08/17/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
09/14/2021	Licensing Study	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	Room1/1yrs	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room2/2yr	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	13	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room3/ 3yrs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	14	C	17	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room4/Pre-K	GA PreK	2	20	C	19	NC	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room5/7-12yrs		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room6/Infants	One Year Olds	2	10	C	14	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 89						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 61			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 89			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Right Side	31	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement was developed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/31/2023

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.decal.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 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Angelyn Woodall, Program Official

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-.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

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023

.35(3) - Citation corrected. The center has no participated in any swimming activities since the last visits.

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

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023

.25(13) - Citation corrected. Consultant discussed keeping hazards inaccessible to children in care.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the restroom lights in Room 2 and Room 5 were not operable and in Room 2 the gray floor molding around the floor beneath the cubbies was observed to be coming off the wall with exposed glue.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2023

Recited on 1/31/2023

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 purple race car on the Front Left Playground was in need of being cleaned in that moss was growing on the backside. It was further determined that two of six swing 'S' hooks that were not fully closed on the Front Left Playground.

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: 2/10/2023

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2023

Corrected on 1/31/2023

.26(9) - Citation corrected.

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023

.15(2) - Citation corrected.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023

.07(5) - Citation corrected.

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation that a child entered Room 6 for the day and was not required to wash hands.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on required handwashing for children and Staff will ensure children's hands are washed when required. The Director will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2023

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met****Correction Deadline: 8/22/2022****Corrected on 1/31/2023**

.21(3) - Citation corrected. Consultant discussed that a fire drill needs to be completed by the end of the day to be in compliance

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022****Corrected on 1/31/2023**

.13(2) - Citation corrected.

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

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

Comment

The vehicle was checked for compliance. Proper restraints were observed and discussed with the director.

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed the broom and dust pan needs to remain inaccessible to children in care.

Correction Deadline: 2/5/2023**Correction Deadline: 9/1/2022****Corrected on 1/31/2023**

.36(4)(b) - Citation corrected. Consultant discussed monitoring the seats to ensure that tape remains on them.

Correction Deadline: 8/18/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023
.36(7)(b) - Citation corrected.
Correction Deadline: 8/18/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023
.36(7)(c)1 - Citation corrected.
Correction Deadline: 8/18/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023
.36(7)(d)1. - Citation corrected.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023
.30(1)(b)1 - Citation corrected.

Staff Records

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

Comment
Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of records that a staff member hired in October 2022 was over 90 days of hire and first aid and CPR had not been completed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 3/2/2023

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**

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Corrected on 1/31/2023
.32(7) - Citation observed to be corrected.