



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

**Date:** 9/13/2022    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 11:30 AM    **Departure:** 1:50 PM

**CCLC-52983**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.
09/13/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/14/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/26/2021	Licensing Study	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	Three Year Olds	1	6	C	7	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	5	C	6	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA	
Main	D		0	0	C	4	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 18					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Building Department			
Total # Children this Date: 11			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 18			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	12	C
Main	Playground B	10	C

**Comments**

This is the first regulatory visit of the fiscal year.

Per the Director, the center does not currently dispense medication, provide routine transportation, field trips, or swimming activities.

The Consultant emailed a template to the Director during the visit for the center to update the written emergency plans.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/13/2022

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](mailto: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](http://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)

Ebony Powers, Program Official

Date

Chrissy Miller, 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)**

**N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records**

**Records Reviewed: 5**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.08(1) - Please ensure that the parent's business addresses are listed with the business name on the children's enrollment forms.

**Correction Deadline: 9/13/2022**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.08(5) - Please ensure that the children are signed into the center, as required. The consultant observed one out of eleven (11) children not signed into the center on September 13, 2022.

**Correction Deadline: 9/13/2022**

**Facility**

**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms** **Met**

**Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

**Correction Deadline: 1/14/2022**

**Corrected on 9/13/2022**

**.19(1) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. 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)** **Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(6) - Discussed repairing the green carpeted area on the right side of playground A to prevent a tripping hazard from occurring within the next two weeks. Also discussed tightening the bolts on the green/tan/green play equipment on Playground A before allowing children to play on the equipment.

**Correction Deadline: 10/3/2022**

**Food Service**

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

**Comment**

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3

Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

**Defer**

591-1-1-.17(7)- This rule is deferred to the next visit when the rule can be observed outside of the center's nap time/resting period.

**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: 1/14/2022**

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)** **N/A**

**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

<b>Policies and Procedures</b>
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**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures** **Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(3) - Please use the template provided to ensure that the written emergency plans for the program is comprehensive and includes a plan for handling emergencies, including but not limited to severe weather, loss of electrical power or water and death, serious injury or loss of a child, a threatening event, or natural disaster which may occur at the program; to have in place procedures for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, lock-down, communication and reunification with families, and continuity of operations. The plan must apply to all children in care and include specific accommodations for infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and children with chronic medical conditions and shall include assurance that no staff will impede in any way the delivery of emergency care or services to a child by licensed or certified emergency health care professionals.

**Correction Deadline: 9/18/2022**

**Comment**

Program observed complete emergency drills

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**591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices** **Met**

**Comment**

Please make sure that all required signs are posted and up to date.

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**591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting** **Met**

**Comment**

Discussed reporting requirements.

<b>Safety</b>
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**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the staff on this date.

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**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)** **N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

## Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

## Staff Records

**Records Reviewed: 3**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 09/10/2020

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 09/10/2020

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 09/10/2020

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3**

**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**

**Met**

**Comment**

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

**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: 1/14/2022**

**Corrected on 9/13/2022**

**.32(7) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. Adequate supervision observed on this date.**