



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

Date: 8/29/2022 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 12:00 PM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

CCLC-46843

Footprints to Scholars Learning Center

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
08/29/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing
02/24/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
07/19/2021	Monitoring Visit	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/1L	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	12	NC	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B/2L		0	0	C	30	C	NA	NA	
Main	C - 2L - Right		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Main	C/L Mid	GA PreK	2	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D/R Mid	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E/3R		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	F/2R		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	G/1R		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 160						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 43			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 160			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A/Front	10	C
Main	PG B/Middle	22	C
Main	PG C/Back	111	C

Comments

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



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@decgal.ga.gov 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)

Marie Louine, 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 - Safe Environment(CR) Met

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2022

Corrected on 8/29/2022

.25(13) - Citation was corrected. No hazardous items were available to children during the visit.

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

Correction Deadline: 3/14/2022

Corrected on 8/29/2022

.26(6) - Citation was corrected. The large red car with chipping paint was removed from the playground.

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2022

Corrected on 8/29/2022

.26(9) - The citation was corrected. The left back corner roof above the picnic table was in good repair.

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations Met

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2022

Corrected on 8/29/2022

.18(8) - The citation was corrected.

Safety

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

Correction Deadline: 3/6/2022

Corrected on 8/29/2022
.36(3)(a-b) - Citation was corrected.
Correction Deadline: 2/25/2022

Corrected on 8/29/2022
.36(7)(b) - Citation was corrected.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2022

Corrected on 8/29/2022
.30(4) - Citation was not corrected.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Defer

Defer
591-1-1-.33(3)- Citation was deferred until the next training year.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

Correction Deadline: 3/26/2022

Correction Deadline: 3/26/2022

Corrected on 8/29/2022
.33(4) - Citation was corrected.

Defer
591-1-1-.33(5)- Citation deferred until the next training year.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022