



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

Date: 2/7/2022 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 1:00 PM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-52877

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Quality Rated: No

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.
02/07/2022	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
12/15/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
12/09/2021	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	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
Main	Room A (1L-Right Side)	Two Year Olds	1	7	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room B (Middle-Left Side)	One Year Olds	1	6	C	8	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room C (Right-Left Side)		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks		
Total # Children this Date: 13			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	21	C

Comments

A virtual POI follow-up was conducted on February 7, 2022 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Consultant completed exit conference virtually and a copy of the visit report was electronically emailed to the Program.

onsultant requested to review all Criminal Record checks for all employees hired after last visit. Director provided three files for employees hired since last visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/07/2022

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.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



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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)

Sandra Smith, Program Official

Date

Rebekah Mullinax, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Facility

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

Defer

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591-1-1-.26(4)- A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit when the rule correction can be observed in person.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will replace the fence that does not meet the requirements with fencing that is at least four feet in height.

Correction Deadline: 5/28/2021

Defer

591-1-1-.26(8)- A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit when the rule correction can be observed in person.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 6/7/2021

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 11/01/2021

Staff # 3 Met

Staff # 4 Met
Date of Hire: 05/28/2021

Staff # 5 Met
Date of Hire: 05/28/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 0

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided three files for employees hired since last visit.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2021

Corrected on 2/7/2022

.09(1)(a) - Previous citation corrected in that the staff member is no longer employed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2021

Corrected on 2/7/2022

.09(1)(c) - Previous citation corrected in that the staff member is no longer employed on this date.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2021

Corrected on 2/7/2022

.31(8)(b) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant and the Director reviewed the rules regarding volunteers. The Director stated that volunteers would no longer be solely responsible for children as required.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2021

Corrected on 2/7/2022

.32(7) - Previous citation corrected in that the Director arranged classroom A and classroom B in a way for center staff to provide watchful oversight to children at all times. In classroom A the Director installed a supply closet that is not accessible to children and is positioned so that the center staff can observe children at all times as required. In classroom B the changing table has been placed so that classroom staff can view the children at all times during diapering as required.