

Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Cover Sheet

Arrival: 11:40 AM **Date:** 9/1/2022 Departure: 2:00 PM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

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Quality Rated: **

CCLC-2485

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Compliance Zone Designation				
09/01/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
02/23/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
07/13/2021	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

Deficient

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

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	1st-Back Left	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	9	С	15	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	1st-Back Right	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	С	14	С	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap,Floor Play,Feeding
Main	1st-First Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	С	8	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2nd-1st Right		0	0	С	11	С	NA	NA	
Main	2nd-2nd Right		0	0	С	10	С	NA	NA	
Main	2nd-3rd Right		0	0	С	11	С	NA	NA	
Main	2nd-First Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	12	С	15	С	NA	NA	Lunch
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 84	1		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 33	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 84	1		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Left Playground (Preschool)	282	С
Main	Right Playground (Infant/Toddler)	42	С

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 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 a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free techincal 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)

Ashley Hammac, Program Official	Date	Kaycee Purvis, Consultant	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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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)

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2022

Corrected on 9/1/2022

.25(13) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant did not observe and hazards accessible to children on this date.

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

Not Met

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based upon observation that the right fence, back fence, and left fence on the Right Playground was rusted on this date. It was further determined that the right fence on the Right Playground measured at two feet six inches when four feet was required. It was further determined that there were 21 out of 21 bolts that measured over two threads on the left gate of the Right Playground on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 11/30/2022

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 upon observation that ten out of ten seats were rusted on the Left Playground. It was also determined that twelve out of twenty swing chains were rusted on the Left Playground. It was further determined that the blue merry go round and blue helicopter on the Left Playground had chipping paint on this date.

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: 9/30/2022
Correction Deadline: 3/5/2022

Corrected on 9/1/2022

.26(9) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant did not observed any hazardous items on the playground accessible to children on this date.

Food Service

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.15(2)(a) requires Center Personnel to hold and feed infants less than six months of age and older children who cannot hold their own bottles or sit alone. Baby bottles shall never be propped; the infant's head shall be elevated while feeding. It was determined based upon observation that staff in the 1st- Back Right classroom propped a bottle for a child in a bouncer on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to hold infants less than six months old or who can not hold their own bottle, to never prop bottles and to elevate infant's heads during feeding. The director will monitor Staff to ensure appropriate feeding procedures are followed.

Correction Deadline: 9/1/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-1.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based upon observation that the diaper changing pad in the First Back Left classroom was torn on the right side of the pad.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2022

Recited on 9/1/2022

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

N/A

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

Met

Comment

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

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

591-1-1-.30(2)(c) requires that infants shall not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the Center asleep or fall asleep in such equipment, on the floor or elsewhere, shall be transferred to a safety-approved crib. It was determined based upon observation that there was one child asleep in a bouncer in the 1st-Back Right classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will only place infants in safe cribs to sleep and will transfer them to a safe crib when the infants are asleep in other equipment.

Correction Deadline: 9/1/2022

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 17	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 10/29/2024	Met Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 09/16/2002	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 07/02/2017	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/28/2019	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 07/02/2018	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 09/21/2006	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1	

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2022

Corrected on 9/1/2022

.09(1)(a) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed current and valid satisfactory criminal records check determination letters for staff on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2022

Corrected on 9/1/2022

.09(1)(c) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed current and valid satisfactory criminal records check determination letters for staff on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2022

Corrected on 9/1/2022

.09(1)(j) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed current and valid satisfactory criminal records check determination letters for staff on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(4) requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. It was determined based upon a review of records that Staff #1 and Staff #16 did not have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 10/14/2022

Recited on 9/1/2022

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

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.