



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 3/9/2023    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 9:30 AM    **Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-2169**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
03/09/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
08/24/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/25/2022	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	Classroom 1 PreK-4-5 Yrs.	GA PreK	2	21	C	23	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	Classroom 2 (Pre K 4-5 Yrs.)		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	Classroom 3 (Pre K 4-5 Yrs.)		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	Classroom 4 (Pre K 4-5 Yrs.)		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	Classroom 5 (PreK-4-5 Yrs)		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	Classroom 6 (PreK-4-5 Years)		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 1 & 2		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 10		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 11		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 3 & 4	Infants	1	5	C	21	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room 5		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 6 & 7	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	8	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Room 8	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	15	C	19	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room 9	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 240

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations


<b>Building</b>	<b>Playground</b>	<b>Playground Occupancy</b>	<b>Playground Compliance</b>
Main	Playground	38	C
Main	PreK Playground	63	C
Main	Toddler Playground	14	C

**Comments**

An in person inspection was conducted on March 9, 2023 with the director.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/09/2023

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.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

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)



**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.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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Betty Jones, Program Official

Date

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Debrik Perry, Consultant

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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**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records**

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 8/24/2022**

**Corrected on 3/9/2023**

Previous citation corrected. The director provided file folders for students enrolled.

**Correction Deadline: 8/24/2022**

**Corrected on 3/9/2023**

Previous citation corrected. The parent authorization forms were reviewed on this date.

**Facility**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) Met

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2022

Corrected on 3/9/2023

Previous citations were corrected. The wall in Room 7 was repainted. The play kitchen's sink in Room 8 was replaced. The paper towel holder was replaced in Room 9.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2022

Corrected on 3/9/2023

Previous citation corrected. Rubber mulch was added under the green swing set and under the yellow jungle gym sliding board.

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<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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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) Met

**Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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<b>Policies and Procedures</b>
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591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures Met

Correction Deadline: 8/29/2022

Corrected on 3/9/2023

Previous citation corrected. The emergency drill form was completed.

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

**Comment**

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

**Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

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<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) Met

**Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Comment**

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

**Staff Records**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

**Comment**

Director provided files for four employees hired since last visit on August 24, 2022.

**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**

**Defer**

**Correction Deadline: 9/23/2022**

**Corrected on 3/9/2023**

**Previous citation corrected. Staff #1 completed the health and safety training.**

**Defer**

Previous citation will be deferred until next regulatory visit.

**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: 9/23/2022**

**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.