



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

**Date:** 6/15/2022    **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up    **Arrival:** 10:30 AM    **Departure:** 11:25 AM

**CCLC-35603**

**Childcare Network #221**

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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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
06/15/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
05/09/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/12/2021	Incident Investigation Closure	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 Building	Gym Front Right		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main Building	Gym Left PreK B	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	17	C	33	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Building	Gym Right Back		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main Building	Left Back	Infants	1	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main Building	Left Front	One Year Olds	1	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Free Play
Main Building	Left Middle	One Year Olds	1	1	C	12	C	NA	NA	Story
Main Building	Right Back PreK A	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main Building	Right Front	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	19	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 58			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building	Big Playground	81	C

## Comments

A Complaint investigation follow-up was conducted on June 15, 2022 with the director.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/15/2022

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)

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Hope Sheffield, Program Official

Date

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Debrik Perry, Consultant

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-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that the main playground had trash on the ground near the large swing.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

**Correction Deadline: 6/15/2022**

**Health and Hygiene**

**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health**

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.07(5) requires Center Staff to not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. It was determined based on observation that three infants had pacifiers attached to their clothes.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will instruct Staff regarding this safety requirement.

**Correction Deadline: 6/15/2022**

**Finding Associated with Complaint**

591-1-1-.10(3) requires Center Staff to change diapers in the child's own crib or on a diaper changing surface that is used for no purposes other than changing diapers and other clothing in each room where infants or any other children wearing diapers are served. It was determined based on staff and parent interviews and statements that on September 28, 2021, a one-year-old child was released from care while wearing a soiled diaper. The director stated that the assistant director, Ms. Latorya Perry asked the child's father to take him back to the teacher and have her change his diaper. The teachers, Milliner and Melton both stated that they had communicated about changing the child's diaper, prior to the father arriving,

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure Staff are trained regarding specifically where to change diapers and clothing in each room housing children who are wearing diapers.

**Correction Deadline: 10/13/2021**

<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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**Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)2 requires that cots and mats are used by the same child daily and marked for individual use. It was determined based on observation, that the following classrooms did not have the resting equipment labeled for individual use:

1. Front Right classroom
2. Front Left classroom
3. Left Front classroom
4. Left Middle classroom

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure that cots and mats are used by the same child daily and marked for individual use.

**Correction Deadline: 5/9/2022**