



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/17/2023 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:10 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

CCLC-39244

Ms. BJ's Group Daycare and Early Learning

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Quality Rated: ★

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.
01/17/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/25/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/13/2022	Licensing Study	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	Infants and Two Year Olds	1	6	C	5	NC	NA	NA	Free Play		
Main	Room D	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	4	C	4	C	NA	NA	Centers		
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			12		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			
Total # Children this Date:			10		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:		12		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0	

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	62	C

Comments

An in person inspection was completed on January 17, 2023 with the director.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/17/2023

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 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 1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Bobbie Jackson, Program Official

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that the children's attendance sheets are monitored daily for completion.

Correction Deadline: 1/17/2023

Evening Care

591-1-1-.32 Staffing/Supervision(CR)

Met

Comment

Provider stated that they provide care for evening hours.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms **Met**

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation corrected. The total capacity was met.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Precious citation was corrected. The worn resting equipment was discarded. The shelves were all clean and organized. Room D was painted and the wall was repaired.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation corrected. All outlets were covered.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical **Met**

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation corrected. All children were housed in licensed spaces.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Not Met**

Correction Deadline: 8/4/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

There was no water inside the playground equipment. The small beige slide was removed from the playground.

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 on observation that the yellow seesaw had two black seats that were cracked.

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: 1/27/2023

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

The previous citation was corrected. The playground had grass for the playground's surface.

Food Service

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

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Met**

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures **Met**

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices **Met**

Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **Met**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

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

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

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation corrected. There were no infants observed to be asleep in resting equipment.

Staff Records

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

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation corrected. All staff received a criminal records check prior to employment.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation corrected. All staff had completed criminal record checks, on file.

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met

Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit on July 25, 2022.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation corrected. The appropriate ratios were observed.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation. Children were not observed during nap time. Director stated that they reviewed the supervision policy with the staff.

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

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2022

Corrected on 1/17/2023

Previous citation corrected. Proper supervision was observed.