



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

Date: 10/28/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 3:30 PM

Departure: 4:45 PM

CCLC-52469

Little Sunshine's Playhouse and Preschool

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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. |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|--|
| 10/28/2021 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 06/17/2021 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 09/28/2020 | Initial 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 | 2 | 11 | C | 13 | C | NA | NA | Feeding,Free Play |
| Main | Room B | Infants and One Year Olds | 2 | 11 | C | 13 | C | NA | NA | Free Play,Nap |
| Main | Room C | One Year Olds | 2 | 12 | C | 16 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning,Out side |
| Main | Room D | One Year Olds | 2 | 15 | C | 16 | C | NA | NA | Outside,Transitio ning |
| Main | Room E | Two Year Olds | 2 | 18 | C | 21 | C | NA | NA | Outside |
| Main | Room F | Two Year Olds | 2 | 15 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Story |
| Main | Room G | Three Year Olds | 2 | 27 | C | 32 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning,Cle an Up |
| Main | Room H | Four Year Olds | 2 | 22 | C | 31 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 162 | | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 131 | | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | Playground A (Infant/Toddler) | 24 | C |
| Main | Playground B (Preschool) | 63 | C |

Comments

Administrative Review was conducted on October 28, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A Virtual Visit was conducted on November 3, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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 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.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

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@dec.state.ga.us.

- 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://dec.state.ga.us/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)

BETH ANDERSON ANDERSON, Program Official

Date

Mandi Sloan, Consultant

Date



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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

Discussed rotating toys to support the procedures of daily disinfecting.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25 - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that child safety locks are maintained on cabinets that could contain items that may be hazardous to children.

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

Not Met

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 two tricycles which were located on the program's playground were not in good repair as they contained broken seats, exposing a sharp plastic edge.

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: 11/7/2021

Food Service

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

Comment

Please ensure that infant feeding forms are updated regularly.

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.

Safety

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**

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 32

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 09/23/2019

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/09/2021 | |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/02/2021 | |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 05/24/2021 | |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 06/07/2021 | |
| Staff # 7 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 04/12/2021 | |
| Staff # 8 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 09/08/2021 | <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u> |
| Staff # 9 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/11/2021 | |
| Staff # 10 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 06/07/2021 | |
| Staff # 11 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 09/14/2021 | <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u> |
| Staff # 12 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 09/24/2020 | |
| Staff # 13 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 09/07/2021 | <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u> |
| Staff # 14 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 02/03/2020 | |
| Staff # 15 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 09/30/2021 | <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u> |
| Staff # 16 | Met |

Records Reviewed: 32**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 08/11/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 17

Met

Date of Hire: 08/31/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 18

Met

Date of Hire: 09/27/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 19

Met

Date of Hire: 08/17/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 20

Met

Date of Hire: 09/24/2020

Staff # 21

Met

Date of Hire: 10/25/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 22

Met

Date of Hire: 09/13/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 23

Met

Date of Hire: 09/24/2020

Staff # 24

Met

Date of Hire: 09/24/2020

Staff # 25

Met

Date of Hire: 09/07/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 26

Met

Date of Hire: 01/31/2021

Staff # 27

Met

Date of Hire: 10/28/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 28

Met

Date of Hire: 05/17/2021

Staff # 29

Met

Date of Hire: 09/13/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Records Reviewed: 32

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 30

Met

Date of Hire: 08/12/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 31

Met

Staff # 32

Met

Date of Hire: 10/08/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 17 files for employees hired since last visit.

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.