



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/22/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 8:10 AM

Departure: 12:45 PM

CCLC-51991

KidzBiz Childcare Center

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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.
12/22/2022	Monitoring Visit	Deficient	
05/05/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/07/2021	Complaint 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	A-1st Left	Infants	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap,Flo or Play
Main	B-2nd Left		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	C-3rd Left	Six Year Olds and Over	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D-1st Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	17	NC	15	NC	NA	NA	Story
Main	E-2nd Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	5	C	18	C	NA	NA	TV
Main	F-3rd Right		0	0	C	26	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 116						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 42			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 116			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Back	91	C
Main	B-Left	37	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 01/10/2023

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.al.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

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.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based upon observation that the TV in the Third Right Classroom was not secured to the table and was able to be tipped over. It was also determined that the TV in the Second Right Classroom was not secured to the table and was able to be tipped over on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2022

Corrected on 12/22/2022

.08(1) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultants observed children's files on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.08(1) - The Consultants discussed with the Provider maintaining children's files.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based upon observation that the First Right Classroom housed 17 children when the First Right Classroom is licensed for 15 children.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2022

Corrected on 12/22/2022

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

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based upon observation that there was a three inch hole at the back left corner of the wall in the bathroom of the Second Right Classroom. It was further determined that the toilet paper dispenser in the bathroom of the Second Right Classroom was not secured to the wall. It was also determined, there were four sections of peeling paint in the Second Right Classroom.

Correction Deadline: 1/13/2023

Recited on 12/22/2022

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

Not Met

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 there was a four inch gap from the ground to the fence in the middle of the back fence on the Left Playground. It was also determined that there was a four inch gap and a four and a half inch gap from the ground to the fence at the middle of the left side fence of the Back Playground.

Correction Deadline: 1/12/2023

Recited on 12/22/2022

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 four out of ten tricycles were missing handle bar grips..

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2022

Corrected on 12/22/2022

.26(8) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultants observed adequate resilient surfacing.

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 upon observation that two wheel barrels were accessible to children in the Front Middle of the Back Playground. It was further determined that twelve raw chicken legs and a bag of charcoal were observed in the Middle of the Back Playground.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

Food Service

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

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2022

Corrected on 12/22/2022

.15(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultants observed children strapped in high chairs during feeding.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.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 center staff failed to disinfect the diaper changing surface in between changing children in the Second Left Classroom.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based upon observation that staff failed to ensure children washed hands after diapering in the Second Left Classroom. It was further determined that staff in the Second Right Classroom failed to ensure that two children washed hands immediately upon arrival.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined based upon observation staff in the Second Left Classroom failed to wash their hands in between diapering.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2022

Corrected on 12/22/2022

.20(3) - Correction of previous citation in that the Director stated that the center does not dispense medication on this date.

Safety

Comment

Please be mindful of voice tone in redirecting children.

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

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(f)1. requires that all transported children be secured in a child passenger restraining system or seat safety belt in accordance with current state and federal laws and regulations and according to manufacturer's directions. It was determined that the vehicle used for transportation, tag # RPV 5233, had two child passenger restraint seats that were expired. It was also determined that the vehicle used for transportation, tag # CLI 5867, had one child passenger restraint seat that was expired.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center. It was determined based upon a review of records that center staff failed to document with a check or other mark/symbol for the following routes:

- Three children on the afternoon route from Gracewood Elementary School to the center on December 20, 2022.
- One child on the afternoon route from Tobacco Road Elementary to the center on December 19, 2022.
- Six children on the afternoon route from Tobacco Road Elementary to center on December 20, 2022.
- Three children on the afternoon route from Willis Foreman Elementary to the center on December 20, 2022.
- Three children from Pine Hill Middle School to the center on December 20, 2022.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)3. requires that the driver or other designated person document in writing the time of arrival and departure each time the vehicle departs from the Center, is loaded or unloaded at each school and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle departs from the Center, arrives at the location where any child is picked up or dropped off and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle leaves the Center, arrives at a field trip destination, leaves a field trip destination, and returns to the Center. It was determined based upon a review of records center staff failed to document in writing the time of arrival, load and unload, and departure for the afternoon route from Pine Hill Middle to the Center on December 12, 2022

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)1. requires that the first check be conducted immediately upon unloading the last child at any location including, but not limited to, a field trip destination, arrival at the Center, and the last stop during transportation to home or school. The responsible person on the vehicle shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; sign the passenger transportation checklist (s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle; and give the passenger transportation checklist(s) to the second designated Staff person. It was determined based upon a review of records that center staff failed to document conducting the first check of the vehicle on the afternoon route from Pine Hill Middle School to the Center on December 20, 2022.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based upon a review of records that center staff failed to document the second check of the vehicle for the follow routes:

Deans Bridge Road Head Start:

- No second check documented on the morning route on December 15, 2022.
- No second check documented on the afternoon route on December 15, 2022.
- No second check documented on the afternoon route on December 16, 2022.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Recited on 12/22/2022

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2022

Corrected on 12/22/2022

.30(1)(a)3 - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultants observed tight-fitting sheets in each crib on this date.

Correction Deadline: 5/5/2022

Corrected on 12/22/2022

.30(2)(c) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultants did not observe infants sleeping in equipment other than safety-approved cribs on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 24

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/03/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.09-Criminal Records Check Missing

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on review of records that the most recent Comprehensive Records Check Determination was expired on this date for Staff # 24. The records check was observed to have expired on October 6, 2022.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(l)3. requires the Center to immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for a Director, Employee or Provisional Employee at least once every five years. It was determined, based on review or records that staff #24 did not complete the process to obtain a new comprehensive records check determination every five years as required. The record check determination was observed to have expired on October 6, 2022.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2022

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2022

Corrected on 12/22/2022

.33(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed evidence of nutrition training on this date.

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)-Citation deferred. Due date not approached.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.