



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**CCLC-35656**

**Tender Years Learning Center #10**

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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.
08/03/2023	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
08/03/2023	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
07/18/2023	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Support	

  

<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.

**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	1L Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play, Snack
Main	1R Pre-K	Four Year Olds	1	7	NC	24	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	1R Right hall C	Pre-K	0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	2L One Year Olds	One Year Olds	1	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	2R		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	3L Two Year Olds		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	3R Three year olds	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	4L Preschool	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	24	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Middle Back Pre-K A		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	R Hall 2R Pre-K D		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 196					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 33					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	74	C
Main	B	32	C

### Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to follow up from the previous visit conducted on July 18, 2023.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/03/2023

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

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Joy Mitchell, Program Official

Date

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**(Findings Report)**

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

	<b>Facility</b>
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**591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**

**Not Met**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(13) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that all potentially hazardous items are stored in locked cabinets or out of the reach of children.

**Correction Deadline: 8/3/2023**

**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 on observation that there was a rubber strip coming loose from the wall underneath the cubbies in classroom 4L. The consultant also observed a cockroach on the wall in 4L.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

**Correction Deadline: 8/4/2023**

**Recited on 8/3/2023**

**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 on observation that the bottom rail of the fence was missing on playground A to the right of the pool area and on the left side behind the climbing equipment. The bottom of the fence in both places was curled upward, creating a potential means of escape. It was also determined that there were loose wires on the bottom of the fence behind the pavilion and a loose and protruding wire to the left of the back gate on playground C.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

**Correction Deadline: 8/11/2023**

**Recited on 8/3/2023**

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 7/21/2023**

**Corrected on 8/3/2023**

**.30(1)(a)3 - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed tight fitting sheets on four of four cribs.**