

Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Summary Report

Date: 12/28/2022 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 9:30 AM Departure: 3:00 PM

CCLC-96

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.06 - Consultant discussed with the assistant director to ensure vents are working.

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center.

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

Not Met

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

Finding

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

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Correction Deadline: 1/7/2023

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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Technical Assistance

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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

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Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Not Met

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Quality Rated: 👚



<u>Comp</u>	Compliance Zone Designation				
12/28/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	his sta		
07/12/2022	Incident Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	Go Su		
04/05/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	De		

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.

Peficient - 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
2	H L Pre K3Front- Guppies	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	3	15	С	25	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Out side
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 29	5		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Main	A: R Front-Cuddly	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	5	С	14	С	NA	NA	Art,Outside,Diap ering,Lunch
Main	C: Right Rear-Busy Bunnies	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	7	С	20	С	NA	NA	Story,Circle Time
Main	F: Left Middle-Leapin Lions	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	10	С	20	С	28	С	Centers
Main	G: Pre K2		0	0	С	22	С	31	С	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 70	6		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 37	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 10	01		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance	
Main	PG A:1 R-Infants	8	С	
Main	PG B: 2R-Twos	10	С	
Main	PG C: 3R-Two Yr	58	С	
Main	PG D: Back R-Pre K	124	С	
Main	PG E: Front Middle	41	С	

Main	PG F: Front L-3 Yr	73	С
Main	PG G Left Back- School Age	439	С

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a licensing study and to follow up from the previous visit conducted on April 5, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/28/2022

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.decal.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 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

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