



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/17/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 8:30 AM **Departure:** 11:45 AM

CCLC-46902

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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.
04/17/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
03/31/2023	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
03/31/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	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 106	Infants	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room 107	Infants and One Year Olds	2	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room 108	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	19	C	NA	NA	Breakfast,Free Play
Main	Room 109	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Breakfast
Main	Room 110-Left	Infants	2	10	C	11	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	Room 110-Right	One Year Olds	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Breakfast
Main	Room 111-left	One Year Olds	2	14	C	11	NC	NA	NA	Breakfast,Floor Play
Main	Room 111-Right		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 112	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	14	C	25	C	NA	NA	Breakfast,Free Play
Main	Room 113	Three Year Olds	1	19	C	28	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Breakfast
Main	Room 114	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	13	C	27	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Breakfast
Main	Room 115		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 116	One Year Olds	2	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Breakfast,Free Play
Main	Room 117	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	10	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room 118	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Breakfast

Main	Room 119		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room 120	Two Year Olds	1	7	C	23	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room 121	Four Year Olds	2	23	C	26	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Breakfast

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 316

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 172 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 316

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - Infants -	18	C
Main	B- 1's	29	C
Main	C- 5- 12 years old	100	C
Main	D- 3-5 yrs	43	C
Main	E- 2's	19	C


Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a follow-up visit and a complaint investigation.

Consultant conducted an exit conference discussing the follow-up report with the director on this date. Consultant emailed a copy of the signed report to the director on the date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/17/2023

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.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 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Shannon Smith, Program Official

Date

Charlene Story, Consultant

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2)(c) requires that infants shall not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the Center asleep or fall asleep in such equipment, on the floor or elsewhere, shall be transferred to a safety-approved crib. It was determined based on observation, that when the consultant arrived in Classroom 106 an infant was asleep in a bouncy with a blanket covering them.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will only place infants in safe cribs to sleep and will transfer them to a safe crib when the infants are asleep in other equipment.

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2023