



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 7/18/2023    **VisitType:** TA Follow Up    **Arrival:** 1:30 PM    **Departure:** 2:45 PM

**CCLC-53768**

**Technical Assistance Unit  
Consultant**

**KinderCare Learning Center #408**

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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.
07/18/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing	
06/22/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/08/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing	

**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.

**Ratios/License Capacity**

<b>Building</b>	<b>Room</b>	<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Max 35 SF.</b>	<b>Max 25 SF.</b>
Main	A - 1L (1's)		18	NA
Main	B -2L (6wks- 12 mths)		11	NA
Main	C - 3L (2's)		27	NA
Main	D - 4L- Pre-K (A)		27	NA
Main	E - 2R- Pre-K (B)		27	NA
Main	F - 1R (3's)		27	NA
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 137	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0	
Total # Children this Date: 0		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 137	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0	

<b>Building</b>	<b>Playground</b>	<b>Playground Occupancy</b>
Main	PG A - LF (6wks-2 yrs)	12
Main	PG B- Back Small (2 yr- 12 yrs)	24
Main	PG C- Back Large- (3yr-12yr)	35

**Comments**

The purpose of this visit is to conduct an action planning technical assistance visit on this date. We reviewed the most recent visit report. TA consultant conducted mock TA visit. The program set goals and action steps. The program scheduled the next follow up/coaching technical assistance visit on August 3, 2023. The program scheduled an in-person Physical Plant training for admin staff for August 3, 2023.

**Strength Based TA**

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

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Melissa McCord, Program Official

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Kristy Turner, Technical Assistance Unit Consultant

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						<b>Facility</b>
<b>Rule: 591-1-1-.26(8) - (8) Fall Zones and Surfacing. Climbing and swinging equipment shall have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency.</b>						
<b>S.M.A.R.T Goal: The program will ensure that the climbing and swinging equipment shall have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency.</b>						
<b>Step Number</b>	<b>Action Step</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>
1	The program has submitted a work order for resilient surfacing to be ordered and replenished throughout the playground.  TA consultant will follow up on next visit date.	Director/Admin Staff	08/03/2023	In-Progress		The work order is pending for the resilient surfacing (wood chips) from May.
Materials Needed:						
Resources Provided:						

**Facility**

**Rule: 591-1-1-.26(9) - (9) Safety and Upkeep of Playground. Playgrounds shall 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.**

**S.M.A.R.T Goal: The program will ensure that the playgrounds shall 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.**

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The director submitted a work order to get the vegetation cut back from fencing and the playground cleaned.  TA consultant advised to get the resilient surfacing replenish throughout the fall zones and tripping hazards.	Director/Admin Staff	08/03/2023	In-Progress		The program was able to cut back the vegetation on the fence.  The working order has been pending May. TA consultant advised program to get vegetation removed the safety purposes.

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

**Staff Records**

**Rule: 591-1-1-.33(6) - (6) Documentation of Training. Evidence of orientation and training shall be documented in the Personnel file of each Staff member which shall be available to the Department for inspection.**

**S.M.A.R.T Goal: The program will ensure that the evidence of orientation and training shall be documented in the Personnel file of each Staff member which shall be available to the Department for inspection.**

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The program has scheduled Physical Plant training during TA visit on August 3, 2023.	Director/Admin Staff	08/03/2023	In-Progress		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided: