



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/8/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 8:35 AM **Departure:** 2:45 PM

CCLC-33231

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
06/08/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
06/17/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/07/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing

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.

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	110(infants)	Infants	2	3	C	13	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play	
Main	111	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	18	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	112(infants)	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play	
Main	113	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	18	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	115	Four Year Olds	3	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	117	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	22	C	NA	NA	Art	
Main	119	Three Year Olds	2	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	120	One Year Olds	2	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	121	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	9	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play	
Main	122	One Year Olds	2	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	123	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	124	Two Year Olds	2	7	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	125	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:					207	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 104					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	207	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				


Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A/Infant	4	C
Main	Playground B/Toddler	21	C
Main	Playground C/Toddler	44	C
Main	Playground D/Preschool	101	C
Main	Playground Field	35	C

Comments

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/08/2023

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!

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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)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable. The provider was reminded to keep the cords to any equipment in accessible to remove any risk of tip over.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation the following hazards were accessible to children:

Classroom #119 - A Michael Kors purse was sitting on the handwashing sink accessible to the children. The restroom had a large bottle of Germ X hand sanitizer and First Aid Kit sitting on the restroom sink, A&D, Aquaphor and Boudreaux ointment was accessible to the children in the restroom. The closet was unlocked with a vacuum stored.

Classroom #125 Aquaphor, Boudreaux and A & D ointment was stored on top of the changing table.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 6/9/2023

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****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 on observation the following:

PG - B - Two rubber hose pieces were coming out of tree trunk posing a hazard, and the tree roots posed a tripping hazard.

PG - C Exposed trees roots posed a tripping hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will remove remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground to ensure that no hazards are present.

Correction Deadline: 6/16/2023**Recited on 6/8/2023**

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

The consultant observed the staff to remind children to wash hands. The consultant discussed with the staff in classroom #110 to ensure that staff and children wash hands upon entering the classroom.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Please ensure that cribs/cots are labeled for individual use.

Staff Records

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

Correction Deadline: 6/17/2022

Corrected on 6/8/2023

.09(1)(a) - The provider had all background checks on file this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/17/2022

Corrected on 6/8/2023

.09(1)(c) - The provider had background checks on file for all staff who were present on this date.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met

Correction Deadline: 7/30/2022

Corrected on 6/8/2023

.14(2) - The provider was observed to have all first aid / CPR records on this date.

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Comment

The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that the approved Supervision Plan is followed regarding diapering. The provider will ensure that a staff member is available in the classroom during diapering in the classroom that face the walls.