



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/9/2023 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:30 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-53597

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Quality Rated: ★

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.
05/09/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/14/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/31/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

Ratios/License Capacity

<u>Building</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>NC/C</u>	<u>Max 35 SF.</u>	<u>35 SF. Comp.</u>	<u>Max 25 SF.</u>	<u>25 SF. Comp.</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Main	A 6wks-2yrs	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	11	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside,Circle Time,Transitioning
Main	B 3-12yrs	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C 6wks- 12 months	Infants and One Year Olds	2	9	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap,Diapering
Main	D 3yrs - 12 yrs		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	E - Back room		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 63						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 33			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 63			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

<u>Building</u>	<u>Playground</u>	<u>Playground Occupancy</u>	<u>Playground Compliance</u>
Main	Playground A - 6 wks-12 yrs	33	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a licesning visit and to follow-up to previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/09/2023

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.decgal.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 1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decgal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

whitney Gray, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

Corrected on 5/9/2023

.19(1) - Previous citation was corrected.

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

Corrected on 5/9/2023

.25(12) - Previous citation was corrected.

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 that classroom A closet door was unlocked which has a AC unit, bottle lotion and staff bags that is a potential hazard to children in care.

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: 5/9/2023

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 that the fence the AC fence had a 12 inch gap/opening which is potential hazard to children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2023

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.10(4) - Consultant discussed with staff to ensure that the changing table is cleaned after changing each child's diaper.

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2023**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.21(3) requires that the Center conduct drills for fire, tornado and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Center shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined based on observation that center did not have documentation of fire, tornado and emergency drills conducted for the months of January, February, March and April for the year of 2023.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hold the drills as required and keep the documentation of the drills on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 5/14/2023

Safety

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

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

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Consultant was unable to check the center vehicle director stated that the vehicle was getting repaired.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that when a child is absent to mark A on the transportation form.

Correction Deadline: 5/10/2023

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Consultant discussed with staff to ensure that no items are placed in the crib with sleeping infants.

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

Corrected on 5/9/2023

.30(2) - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed the infant children placed on their backs during the visit on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.32(2) - Consultant discussed mixing age group of children.

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2023

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.