



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 3/8/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 3:00 PM **Departure:** 6:00 PM

CCLC-56451

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

| <u>Compliance Zone Designation</u> | | | 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. |
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| 03/08/2022 | Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 02/18/2022 | Initial Licensing Study | NA | |
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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 | 1L-A-Front Left | Three Year Olds | 1 | 1 | C | 21 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 1L-B-Left | Three Year Olds | 1 | 4 | C | 23 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 1R-A-Front Right | Infants | 1 | 2 | C | 15 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 1R-B- Back Right | One Year Olds | 1 | 3 | C | 15 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 2L-A- Front Pre-K | | 0 | 0 | C | 23 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | 2L-B-Afterschool | Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over | 1 | 8 | NC | 22 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 2R-A- Front Right | Two Year Olds | 1 | 4 | C | 21 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Main | 2R-B-Back Right | | 0 | 0 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 160 | | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 22 | | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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| Main | Left Side Toddler | 24 | C |
| Main | Right Side - Afterschool | 44 | C |

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to investigate a complaint that was alleged on 3/1/22. The complaint was investigated and it was found to be unsubstantiated as of 4/8/22.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/08/2022

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.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



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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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)

Glory Aharanwa, Program Official

Date

Toni Williams, Consultant

Date



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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.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 1

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1

Met

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/4/2022

Corrected on 3/8/2022

Previous citation was corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2022

Corrected on 3/8/2022

Previous citation corrected on this date.

Facility

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| 591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms | Met |
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Correction Deadline: 3/20/2022

Corrected on 3/8/2022

The previous citation was corrected on this date.

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| 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center. The overall licensed capacity is 160 children.

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

The playground was not observed due to inclement weather.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2022

Defer

The playground was not observed on this date because of inclement weather.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2022

Defer

The playground was not observed due to inclement weather.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2022

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| Health and Hygiene |
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| 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Staff stated proper procedures. Sinks with warm running water observed adjacent to proper diapering surfaces in all classrooms approved for diapering.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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| Safety |
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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**

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed. Seven files were observed and Seven children are being transported. Vehicle information, insurance, first aid kit and fire extinguisher were observed.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met**Comment**

Four (4) of four (4) cribs were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards as they were manufactured in 2018 and 2019. The Consultant discussed safe sleeping requirements with the owner during the inspection visit.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 02/17/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 07/12/2019

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 02/05/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 02/17/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 11/18/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Met**Comment**

Ten (10) of ten (10) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

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**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs. Adequate supervision observed during the inspection visit.