



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/5/2024 VisitType: Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:55 AM Departure: 1:45 PM

CCLC-463

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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.
08/05/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/16/2024	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
04/15/2024	Licensing Study	Support	
			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	A: 2L : infants	Infants and One Year Olds	2	7	C	19	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B: rt hall: 1L: preschool	Three Year Olds	1	14	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C: rt hall: 2L : Lunch room		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	D: rt hall: 3L : Toddlers	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E : rt hall: 4L (School Age)		0	0	C	49	C	NA	NA	
Main	F: rt hall: 2R: (GA PK)	GA PreK	1	19	C	19	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	G: rt hall: 1R: (GA PreK)		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	H:Lt hall: 1L: (Staff Lounge)		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 49		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd B - older children	133	C
Main	Plgd A - infant/toddler	61	C

Comments

A monitoring visit was completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/05/2024

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.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.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 on this date.

591-1-1.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities at this time.

Facility

591-1-1.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by the center on this date.

591-1-1.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children. Consultant discussed with the director and staff members to remove or tape staples in the walls throughout the center classrooms.

591-1-1.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Technical Assistance

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Please ensure that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. The director contacted the fencing repair company who reported that the fencing parts have been ordered and should arrive within the next two weeks in order to begin repairs. Parts of the fencing measured from 3ft. 9 inches to 3ft. 10.5 instead of 4 feet which was required. Additionally, fencing was unattached at the top and bottom of some areas and rust was present. The fencing company will replace all fencing deficiencies.

Correction Deadline: 8/5/2024

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that playground equipment provides an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Consultant discussed with the director to ensure playground equipment is free of chipped paint and rust on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2024

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

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands on this date.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The center currently does not dispense or administer medication at this time.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date.

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

A current and completed inspection was observed for the vehicle used in transporting children on this date. Vehicle with tag number ending in S6226 was completed on October 12, 2023.

Comment

Paperwork, checklist, and proper check of the vehicle after transportation was discussed with the director and driver on this date.

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**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with infant staff and the director on this date.

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)	Met
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Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.