



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/18/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:55 AM **Departure:** 1:35 PM

CCLC-17168

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
02/18/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/09/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
01/14/2019	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	Blue Room E	8-12 yrs	0	0	C	16	C	22	C	
Main	Room A	Infants	3	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding
Main	Room B	One yr olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room C	2 yr olds	2	16	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room D-3 & 4 yr olds	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	24	C	30	C	42	C	Nap
Main	Yellow Room F	5-7 yrs	0	0	C	15	C	21	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 116						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 140				
Total # Children this Date: 56			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 116			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 140				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	72	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/18/2020

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/Regulations.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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.state.ga.us/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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 New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

Felisa Lewis, Program Official

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

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**

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Met**

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Staff stated proper hand washing procedures.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Defer****Correction Deadline: 9/16/2019****Corrected on 2/18/2020****.36(3)(a-b) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed completed transportation training on this date.****Defer**

591-1-1-.36(4)(a)-Citation deferred due to vehicle being off site for repairs and the center is not participating in routine transportation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain the annual vehicle inspection.

Correction Deadline: 9/16/2019**Defer**

591-1-1-.36(4)(b)- Citation deferred due to vehicle is off site for repairs.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will maintain that all transportation vehicles are clean, in safe repair, and free from hazards.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2019**Defer**

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)1.-Citation deferred due to vehicle being off site for repairs and the center is not participating in routine transportation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will document first checks immediately upon unloading the last child.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2019**Defer**

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2.-Citation deferred due to vehicle being off site for repairs and the center is not participating in routine transportation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Staff will document the second check immediately upon the completed of the first check of the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2019**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant’s back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician’s written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant’s back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer’s guidelines and will not slide up around the infant’s face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician’s written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that an infant was asleep in the crib with a pacifier strap attached to the sleeping infant in Room A on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will take all steps necessary to provide a safe sleep environment for infants as listed in these rules; will train Staff to follow these rules; and will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2020

Recited on 2/18/2020

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2019

Corrected on 2/18/2020

.30(2)(c) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed infants asleep in safety-approved cribs on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 12/11/2008	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 02/03/2010	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/22/2019	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 04/09/2018	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 06/03/2019	
Staff # 6	Met

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 01/07/2019

Staff # 7

Met

Date of Hire: 03/01/2004

Staff # 8

Met

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 03/07/2019

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 05/31/2019

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2019

Corrected on 2/18/2020

.33(6) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed ten clock hours of annual training for the 2019 calendar year 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

Discussed naptime ratios.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.