



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/30/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 7:05 AM

Departure: 7:25 AM

CCLC-26514

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
12/30/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
05/20/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing
11/25/2019	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	A		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA	
Main	B	Infants	1	1	C	6	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C	Two Year Olds	1	3	C	26	C	NA	NA	Breakfast
Main	D	One Year Olds	1	2	C	26	C	NA	NA	Breakfast, Transitioning
Main	E	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	4	C	29	C	41	C	Transitioning
Main	F		0	0	C	24	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 117						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 129				
Total # Children this Date: 10			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 117			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 129				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	53	C

Comments

An administrative review was conducted on December 23, 2020. A walk through of the center was completed on December 30, 2020.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.al.ga.gov.

- 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.al.ga.gov/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.al.ga.gov/>
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.al.ga.gov

Lisa Jarrett, 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

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a visit December 30, 2020.

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

N/A

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15 - New rules effective October 1, 2020 were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

Hand washing was observed during the walk through on this date. Staff stated knowledge of proper hand washing procedures for staff and children during the administrative review.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Not Evaluated

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication. The Director stated that no medication has been administered since the previous visit was conducted on May 20, 2020. (This rule was not evaluated on this date).

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/29/2019

Corrected on 12/30/2020

.21(3) - Drills were observed to be completed as required.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Comment

Discussed reporting requirements.

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

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

Van A-2008 Ford E-350, Tag # BNN 5995, and Van B-Ford E-350, Tag # BNN 5996, were both inspected on February 17, 2020.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

Transportation training requirements were discussed with the Director on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 14****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 10/28/2020	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 07/01/2013	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 03/20/2019	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 09/15/2008	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 03/12/2018	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 01/07/2019	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 05/23/2018	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 05/08/2018	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 07/29/2019	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 08/05/2019	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 03/21/2018	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 11/23/2020	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/28/2020	Met

Staff # 14

Met

Date of Hire: 10/29/2018

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 for all staff observed during the visit or listed on the staff list provided by the Director.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Met

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on September 30, 2020.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.