



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/19/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 3:10 PM **Departure:** 3:55 PM

CCLC-46220

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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.
07/19/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/24/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/21/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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 6w-12m	Infants	2	10	C	12	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play, Nap
Main	B 12-18m	One Year Olds	2	10	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C 18-24m	One Year Olds	2	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	D 24-30m Turtles	Two Year Olds	3	13	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Diapering, Clean Up
Main	E 30-36m Ducklings	Two Year Olds	3	13	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Snack
Main	F Young 3's	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Snack
Main	G 3 and 4 years	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	20	C	21	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	H 3-5 years	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	I - 5 years	Six Year Olds and Over	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 115			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A Back	103	C

Main	Playground B- Right Side	35	C
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Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on July 19, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 28, 2021 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Criminal background check expiration dates and waiting for out of state results were discussed on this date.

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.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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov

Kayla Setser, 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 Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Licensed capacity observed to be met by center.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing requirements were discussed with the Director on this date. Liquid soap and paper towels were observed accessible in the restroom area.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.20 - Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures. Ensure that the date range on the parental medication authorization form is no longer than a two week period and each date within that period is documented on the dispensing record.

Safety

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. Cribs and cots observed to be in good repair and sheets/blankets stated to be laundered appropriately.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 28**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 11/25/2020

Staff # 2 Met

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 11/25/2020

Staff # 4 Met

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 02/02/2021

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 12/20/2020

Staff # 7 Met

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 12/11/2019

Staff # 9 Met

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 03/22/2021

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 07/30/2018

Staff # 12 Met

Staff # 13 Met

Staff # 14 Met

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 02/02/2021

Staff # 16 Met

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 12/16/2020

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 11/05/2020

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 11/01/2020

Staff # 20 Met

Staff # 21 Met

Staff # 22 Met

Staff # 23 Met

Staff # 24 Met

Staff # 25 Met

Staff # 26 Met

Records Reviewed: 28

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 07/09/2019

Staff # 27

Met

Staff # 28

Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director stated nine employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

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591-1-1-.33(5)-Citation deferred until first regulatory visit of 2022.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2021

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Adequate supervision observed on this date.