



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/26/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 11:00 AM

CCLC-50464

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Quality Rated: No

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.
04/26/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/08/2020	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
08/25/2020	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	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
Building II	Classroom E	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	22	C	27	C	38	C	Circle Time
Building II	Classroom F		0	0	C	15	C	21	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 42			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 123							
Main	A- 1's and 2's	Infants	1	3	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B- 3's and up	Six Year Olds and Over	1	2	C	19	C	NA	NA	Homework
Main	C- 2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	20	C	22	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Music, Free Play
Main	D- 6wks - 12mth		0	0	C	5	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 81			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 81				Building @35 capacity limited by Playground Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 47			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 123				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 123			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - All Ages	27	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on April 26, 2021, with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to Covid-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on March 31, 2021, was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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

Laquita Green, 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. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Technical Assistance

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The Consultant discussed with the Director to replenish resilient surfacing as needed. Further that resilient surfacing should be fluffed and redistributed as needed. Also that borders could be made around equipment with PVC pipe so that resilient surfacing stayed in place where it was needed.

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2021

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director that playground equipment was to be monitored for rust and should be sanded and painted as needed.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures during the virtual visit that was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing was observed during the virtual visit that was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Please document N/A or none if no adverse reaction is observed. This rule will be evaluated on the following regulatory visit conducted in 2021.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection were observed. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Comment

Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Crib sheets appeared to be tight-fitted on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 9

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/09/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 01/21/2020	
Staff # 4	Met

Records Reviewed: 9**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 04/19/2021

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

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 02/28/2020

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 09/03/2020

Staff # 7

Met

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 02/12/2020

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 04/19/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 0****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

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