



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 12/1/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 8:40 AM **Departure:** 11:30 AM

CCLC-783

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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.
12/01/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/10/2022	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/06/2022	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	

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-1L- Infants	Infants	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B-2L Back	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	10	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	B-2L Front	One Year Olds	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D- Back Right-3's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	16	C	26	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	E Downstairs Pre-K	PreK	4	23	C	39	C	NA	NA	Story,Circle Time
Main	F- Downstairs A/S	Four Year Olds	2	10	C	33	C	NA	NA	Story

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 134

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 72

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	infant/toddler playground	18	C
Main	Large playground (older children)	99	C

Comments

A Monitoring Visit was completed on December 1, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/01/2022

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



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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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)

Susan Elam, Program Official

Date

Chasity Baugh, Consultant

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)

Not Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that in classrooms B-2L Front and B2L Back, the metal legs on the small blue children sized chairs had chipping paint and rust.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture used by the age-appropriate group of children are free of rust and chipping paint.

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2022

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

Met

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Please monitor bathrooms for necessary supplies.

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

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Comment

Trees located on the site or that encroach onto the site from adjacent properties may have structural issues that present an elevated level of risk. Consider having these trees inspected by a certified arborist to determine their structural integrity and associated levels of risk.

Correction Deadline: 6/15/2022

Corrected on 12/1/2022

.26(9) - The previous citation in regard to playground conditions were corrected.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

Correction Deadline: 6/15/2022

Corrected on 12/1/2022

.10(4) - This previous citation in regard to the diapering area was observed to be corrected.

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

Comment

Please ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste.

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) **Not Met**

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Finding

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) requires any Center that provides any type of transportation to obtain two (2) hours of state-approved or state-accepted transportation training, biannually, for the Director and for each person responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children. The training shall include, but is not limited to, a review of the transportation rules, a review of approved transportation forms and procedures, and instruction on the usage and completion of the forms and procedures. This training may be counted as part of the annual training requirements for Staff. It was determined based on review of records staff members #21, responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children and Director did not obtain two (2) hours of state-approved transportation training biannually.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director, Center Staff, and any person responsible for the transportation of children has completed the required transportation training.

Correction Deadline: 12/11/2022

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 23

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 7

Staff # 1 Met
Date of Hire: 05/20/2020

Staff # 2 Not Met
Date of Hire: 05/10/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"
.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 3 Met
Date of Hire: 11/04/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 4 Met
Date of Hire: 06/02/1999

Staff # 5 Not Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/1984

"Missing/Incomplete Components"
.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

Staff # 6 Met
Date of Hire: 08/21/2006

Staff # 7 Met
Date of Hire: 03/29/2022

Staff # 8 Not Met
Date of Hire: 08/26/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"
.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 08/16/2021	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 08/01/2018	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 07/07/2022 <u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> .14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing	Not Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 11/08/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 10/12/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 05/23/1994	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 09/20/2022 <u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> .31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing	Not Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 11/16/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 11/01/1999	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 05/14/1998	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 11/22/2022	Met <u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 10/17/1994 <u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	Not Met

Records Reviewed: 23**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 7**

.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

Staff # 22

Met

Date of Hire: 11/21/2022

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

Staff # 23

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

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.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on review of records staff members #8 and #12 did not obtain certification in first aid and CPR within 90 days of their hire date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Comment

Discussed staff training. Please obtain required documentation.

Comment

Please ensure completed orientation checklists are documented and signed.

Finding

591-1-1-.33(2) requires the initial Center orientation to include the following subjects: the Center's policies and procedures; the portions of these rules dealing with the care, health and safety of children; the Staff person's assigned duties and responsibilities; reporting requirements for suspected cases of child abuse, neglect or deprivation; communicable diseases and serious injuries; emergency weather plans; the program's emergency preparedness plan; childhood injury control; the administration of medicine; reducing the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS); hand washing; fire safety; water safety; and prevention of HIV/AIDS and blood borne pathogens. It was determined based on review of documents staff member #8 did not complete new employee orientation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide orientation in all missing subjects to the employee(s) and will take steps to provide a complete orientation to new Employees in the future.

Correction Deadline: 12/2/2022

Correction Deadline: 5/6/2022

Corrected on 12/1/2022

.33(3) - This previous citation in regard to health and safety orientation training was observed to be corrected.

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)-Consultant will observe this rule at the next visit.

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: 5/6/2022

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.31(2)(c) requires the Center to maintain a copy and/or written verification of the credential or degree awarded to the lead teacher that is required by these rules in the lead teacher's file, to make the document available for inspection and to provide the document to Department staff upon request. It was determined based on review of records staff members #2 and #16 were hired as a lead teacher, but did not have an education credential.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will review lead teacher records to ensure the required documentation is on file and will obtain and file it if not found.

Correction Deadline: 12/30/2022

Recited on 12/1/2022

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.