



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/19/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:35 AM **Departure:** 1:10 PM

CCLC-2061

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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. |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|--|
| 04/19/2023 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 12/05/2022 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 03/22/2022 | Complaint Closure | 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 |
|---------------------------------|------|-----------------|---------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1 | A | Four Year Olds | 2 | 16 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Transitioning |
| 1 | B | Four Year Olds | 2 | 12 | C | 22 | C | NA | NA | Outside |
| 1 | C | Four Year Olds | 2 | 17 | C | 19 | C | NA | NA | Outside |
| 1 | D | | 0 | 0 | C | 19 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| 1 | E | | 0 | 0 | C | 19 | C | NA | NA | |
| 1 | F | | 0 | 0 | C | 22 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| 1 | G | Three Year Olds | 2 | 17 | C | 23 | C | NA | NA | Free Play |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 149 | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | |
| 2 | G | | 0 | 0 | C | 23 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| 2 | H | | 0 | 0 | C | 23 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| 2 | I | | 0 | 0 | C | 23 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 69 | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 62 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 218 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 2 | Playground | 156 | C |

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a monitoring visit.

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.decgal.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), 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)



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@decgal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



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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-.03 Activities

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.03(2) requires the Center to keep current lesson plans on site that reflect appropriate instruction practices and activities to support children's development The Center shall have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the above program of activities in all developmental areas. It was determined that classrooms G did not have current lesson plans as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will keep current lesson plans on site that include appropriate instruction practices and activities and will have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the activities.

Correction Deadline: 4/21/2023

Recited on 4/19/2023

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

Correction Deadline: 12/5/2022

Corrected on 4/19/2023

.25(13) - The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 12/5/2022

Corrected on 4/19/2023

.26(4) - Maintenance order observed, center will provide evidence of correction by 4/21/2023.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition Met

Correction Deadline: 12/5/2022

Corrected on 4/19/2023

.15(1) - The citation observed corrected on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

There were no children enrolled in the program on this date. Proper diaper facilities were observed with warm running water and proper ventilation.

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

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

The cots were observed to be stored away from children as required.

Staff Records

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 **Met**

Correction Deadline: 1/4/2023

Corrected on 4/19/2023

.14(1) - The citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Met**

Correction Deadline: 1/4/2023

Corrected on 4/19/2023

.33(5) - The citation was observed to be corrected 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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.