



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334
 Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Cover Sheet

Date: 6/15/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:20 AM **Departure:** 11:35 AM

CCLC-23650

The Lady Bamford Early Childhood Education Center
 1410 Richards Street Savannah, GA 31415 Chatham County
 (912) 944-1671 Tammymixon321@hotmail.com

Regional Consultant

Chrissy Miller
 Phone: (770) 408-5457
 Fax: (770) 408-5461
 chrissy.miller@decal.ga.gov

Mailing Address
 1601 Drayton Street
 Savannah, GA 31401

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.
06/15/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
11/17/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/10/2021	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-Cruisers	One Year Olds	2	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	B-Creepers	Infants	1	3	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C-Explorers	Two Year Olds	2	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	D-Trail blazers	Three Year Olds	1	5	C	15	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	E-Navigators	GA PreK	1	5	C	25	C	NA	NA	Field Trip, Transitioning
Main	F-Jaquars	Four Year Olds	2	11	C	23	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 83					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 33			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 83			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A (infants & ones)	10	C
Main	B (twos)	15	C
Main	C (3-4 year old)	34	C

Comments

This is the second regulatory visit of the fiscal year.

The center currently has a two-star rating from quality rated.

Per the Director, the center does not currently dispense medication, provide routine transportation, or swimming activities.

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)

Kimberly Simmons, Program Official

Date

Chrissy Miller, Consultant

Date



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334**

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Findings Report

Date: 6/15/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:20 AM

Departure: 11:35 AM

CCLC-23650

The Lady Bamford Early Childhood Education Center

1410 Richards Street Savannah, GA 31415 Chatham County
(912) 944-1671 Tammymixon321@hotmail.com

Mailing Address

1601 Drayton Street
Savannah, GA 31401

Regional Consultant

Chrissy Miller

Phone: (770) 408-5457

Fax: (770) 408-5461

chrissy.miller@decals.ga.gov

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.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing

Child # 3

Met

Child # 4

Met

Child # 5

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)-Doctor, Clinic, Phone Numbers,.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing

Finding

591-1-1-.08(1) requires the Center Staff to maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. In order for the file to be complete, the file shall contain the following: child's name, birth date, sex, address, living arrangement, name of school if applicable; names of both Parents, home and work addresses, and home and work telephone numbers; name(s) and addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information; name(s) and telephone number(s) of person(s) to contact in emergencies when the Parent cannot be reached; name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care; and a statement regarding known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, mental retardation or developmental disabilities which limit the child's participation in the program. It was determined based on the consultant's review of records that one out of five records was missing the physician's information and two out of five records were missing the addresses of whom the child may be release.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will develop a plan that includes how to obtain all required information for currently enrolled children and how to ensure this is done for future enrollees as well. The plan will also include how and where to maintain files for the required amount of time. The plan will be implemented and followed.

Correction Deadline: 7/8/2022

Recited on 6/15/2022

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Comment

Playground observed to be in good repair. Discussed removing the insect web from the far-right side of the playground, located on the green and tan equipment, to ensure that the it does not pose a hazard to the children in care.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/30/2021

Corrected on 6/15/2022

.21(3) - The consultant observed this rule to be corrected. The Program was observed to have evidence of conducting and documenting fire, tornado, and other safety drills for emergency situations as required.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.13 - Proper field trip documentation and regulations regarding checklists, name tags and permission forms was discussed on this date. Center had evidence of name tags, checklists, and parental permission for a field trip conducted on June 15, 2022. Discussed ensuring that a copy of the updated emergency medical forms should be kept on the vehicle during transportation.

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

Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the staff on this date.

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 17

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 03/02/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 05/14/2018	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/15/2018	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 01/31/2019	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 11/01/2007	

Records Reviewed: 17

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 09/18/2009	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 11/09/2017	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 03/07/2005	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 06/11/2018	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 06/01/2021	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 08/01/2000	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 04/14/1987	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 06/02/2021	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 08/01/2018	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 06/04/2012	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 10/02/1997	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Comment

Discussed combining children of mixed ages.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(4) - Discussed combining children of mixed ages. Discussed that children under three-years-old should be housed in separate physical areas from older children and cannot be mixed with older children.

Correction Deadline: 6/15/2022

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.