



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/27/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:50 AM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-54455

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
07/27/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
07/07/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing
02/13/2023	Complaint Closure	Deficient

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.

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 - Left Front	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap,Free Play
Main	B - Left 2nd Right		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	C - Left 1st Right	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	8	C	20	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	D - Middle Room	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	9	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	E - 2nd Right	Four Year Olds	1	8	C	23	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	F - 1st Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	11	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 114					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 42			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 114			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - Left Front	43	C
Main	B - Left Rear	57	C
Main	C - Right	47	C
Main	D - Patio	9	C

Comments

The purpose of the visit is to follow up on previous visit and 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.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), 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@dec.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Shiketa Morgan, Program Official

Date

Neli Todorova, Regional Consultant

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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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(7)

- Discussed that balloons need to be made inaccessible to the children in care.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2023

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)

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 2/13/2023

Corrected on 7/27/2023

.25(13) - Previous citation corrected on this date as hazards were not accessible to the children.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Please ensure that hand sanitizer and adult office supplies are not accessible to the school age children.

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2023

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. The program is in the process of installing a new six feet high arch climber with a slide. Consultant discussed fall zone requirements and left a handout with requirements.

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**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Correction Deadline: 2/13/2023

Corrected on 7/27/2023

.20(4) - Previous citation corrected as no medication was accessible to the children.

Safety

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.13(7) - Please ensure that each child has on their person their name, and the Center's name, address and telephone number.

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2023

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided three file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Correction Deadline: 6/9/2022

Corrected on 7/27/2023

.33(4) - Previous citation corrected as consultant observed four hours nutrition training for the Director and the cook.

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

Discussed combining children of mixed ages and having permission slips for mixing two and three-year-old children.

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

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/13/2023

Corrected on 7/27/2023

.32(7) - Previous citation was corrected as staff stated proper knowledge of supervision.