

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

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Date: 1/9/2020 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 8:55 AM Departure: 1:20 PM

CCLC-32784

# KinderCare Learning Center #412

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Quality Rated:

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Compliance Zone Designation							
01/09/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing					
09/06/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing					
07/23/2019	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing					

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.

Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Deficient

#### **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	1st Left 101 Pre-k B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	С	31	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	1st Rt 109 Pre-k A	PreK	2	20	С	31	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	2nd Left 102 Pre-k C	PreK	2	20	С	31	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Transitio ning,Centers
Main	3rd Left 103 Preschool	Three Year Olds	2	19	С	31	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	4th Left 104 2 yr olds	Three Year Olds	2	18	С	31	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	5th Lft 105 2 yr olds	Two Year Olds	3	25	С	31	С	NA	NA	Centers, Diaperin
Main	6th-Lft 106 1 yr olds	One Year Olds	3	16	С	32	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	7th left-107 Infants	Infants	2	11	С	18	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Floor Play
Main	8th Lft 108 Infants	Infants	3	10	С	12	С	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	48		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Total # Children this Date: 157 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 248 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building Playground Playground Playground Compliance

# Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licesning visit and follow-up on previous citations from September 6, 2019.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/09/2020

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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@decal.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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

# **Activities and Equipment**

# 591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

**Not Met** 

# **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 consultant's observation that there was a blue couch in the 5th left classroom with exposed foam, a red chair in PK A with exposed foam and a red chair in PK B with tears in the corners.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 1/9/2020

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

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

# Children's Records

#### 591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

#### Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facility** 

591-1-1-,06 Bathrooms Not Met

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.06(4) requires a Center first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that remodel or add to existing plumbing facilities, to have the bathroom area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system and requires Centers without fully enclosed bathrooms to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the boys bathroom in PK B, did not have a working vent.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will fully enclose and ventilate bathroom areas, as required, and will provide adequate ventilation and sanitation in bathrooms that are not fully enclosed.

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2020

# 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)

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

# Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the vent in bathroom 4th left, was loose and needed to be repaired or replaced.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 1/9/2020

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

Met

#### Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

**Food Service** 

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

Not Met

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.15(2) requires that a signed written feeding plan for children less than one (1) year of age shall be obtained from Parent(s) and that instructions from the Parent(s) shall be updated regularly as new foods are added or other dietary changes are made. The feeding plan shall be posted in the child's assigned room and must include the child's feeding schedule, the amount of formula or breast milk to be given, instructions for the introduction of solid foods, the amount of food to be given and notation of any type(s) of commercially premixed formula which may not be used in an emergency because of food allergies. It was determined based on consultant's observation that there were three infant feeding plans that were expired, in classroom 107.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center Director will develop and implement a plan to obtain and post the completed feeding plan as part of the enrollment process and to have parents update the plans on a regular basis that will include center staff involved with enrollment and those working in the infant classrooms.

Correction Deadline: 1/9/2020

# 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

#### Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

#### Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

#### 591-1-1-.05 Animals

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

# 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. Consultant observed documentation for the month of December to and from the following schools: Montclair Elementary, Briarlake Elementary and Hawthorne Elementary.

#### 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)

Not Met

#### Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on consultant's observation that there were three crib sheets that were not tight fitting in classroom 107.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 1/9/2020

# **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b) - Center is to ensure that cots are not accessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 1/9/2020

# 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 consultant's observation that staff members #3, #17 and #48 did not satisfactorily 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: 2/8/2020

# 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

#### Finding

91-1-1-.33(5) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules. It was determined based on consultant's review of records that staff # 77 and staff # 58 did not complete the required annual 10 hr. training for 2019.

# 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: 2/8/2020

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

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

Met

# Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.