



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

**Date:** 4/7/2022    **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 9:30 AM    **Departure:** 12:35 PM

**CCLC-56817**

**Imagination Station 1**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.
Date	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/07/2022	Initial 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		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA		
Main	B	Two Year Olds	1	2	C	17	C	NA	NA	Snack	
Main	C	Three Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	5	C	26	C	NA	NA	Centers	
Main	D		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA		
Main	E		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA		
Main	F		0	0	C	51	C	NA	NA		
Main	G		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA		
Main	Gym		0	0	C	116	C	NA	NA		
Main	H	Infants	1	2	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:						297	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:				0
Total # Children this Date: 9			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			297	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:				0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	32	C
Main	Playground B	179	C
Main	Playground C- Side Walk//Chalk Area	10	C

**Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on April 4, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on April 7, 2022. The exit conference was conducted virtually on April 7, 2022 with the Assistant Director. Permission to Operate issued on this date. Facility does carry Liability Insurance.

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



### 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](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.dec.al.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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](http://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)

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Rodaya Stickney, Program Official

Date

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Shantreze Anderson, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

### Activities and Equipment

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured.

**Correction Deadline: 4/7/2022**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site.

### Facility

**591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center. The overall licensed capacity is 181 children.

**591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Center appears clean and well maintained.

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

**Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

**Technical Assistance**

On this date consultant discussed with the Assistant Director to ensure the wrought iron gate on playground B, gaps are enclosed. Currently, the gaps are measuring four (4) inches which poses an entrapment hazard.

**Correction Deadline: 4/7/2022**

**Health and Hygiene**
**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**
**Technical Assistance**
**Comment**

Staff stated proper procedures. Sinks with warm running water observed adjacent to proper diapering surfaces in all classrooms approved for diapering.

**Technical Assistance**

On this date Consultant discussed with the Assistant Director that ventilation for diapering should be added to all diapering classrooms.

**Correction Deadline: 4/7/2022**

**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 medication documentation, administration and storage.

**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**

A current/completed inspection was observed for tag ending 9352 used in transporting children this date. Assistant Director advised Consultant that tag ending 6726 was in the shop, this vehicle was not observed on this date.

**Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed for March 14-18, 2022 and March 21-25, 2022.

**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**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Comment**

On this date 12 cribs were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards as they were manufactured in 2011 and 2012. Consultant discussed safe sleeping requirements with the teacher during the inspection visit.

**Correction Deadline: 4/17/2022**

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**Records Reviewed: 10**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1		Met
Date of Hire: 01/31/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>	
Staff # 2		Met
Date of Hire: 02/07/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>	
Staff # 3		Met
Date of Hire: 01/31/2002		
Staff # 4		Met
Date of Hire: 01/24/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>	
Staff # 5		Met
Staff # 6		Met
Date of Hire: 04/15/2014		
Staff # 7		Met
Date of Hire: 03/03/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>	
Staff # 8		Met
Date of Hire: 02/11/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>	
Staff # 9		Met
Staff # 10		Met
Date of Hire: 02/07/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>	

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5**

<b>591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

On this date ten (10) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Correction Deadline: 4/7/2022**

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

**Comment**

A supervision plan was created on this date.

Classroom F

Due to the shape of the Classroom F, the teacher(s) will position themselves to have a watchful eye over the children in care.

Playground A

Due to the shape of Playground A, the teacher(s) will position themselves to have a watchful eye over the children in care.

Playground B

Due to the playground having multi-use equipment, the teacher will ensure children are using the age-appropriate equipment.

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.