

## 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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Arrival: 8:55 AM **Date:** 2/28/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Departure: 11:45 AM

**CCLC-1473 Regional Consultant** 

#### **Childcare Network #24**

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Quality	Rated:	$\mathbf{x}$	- 73

				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						
	02/28/2019	Complaint Closure		standing, support, and deficient.						
		Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit		Support	<ul> <li>Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting</li> </ul>					
	08/28/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Deficient	<ul><li>rules.</li><li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li></ul>					

#### 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	PreK	2	17	С	30	С	41	С	Centers
Main	1st Right	Infants	2	10	С	18	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding,Na p
Main	2nd Left	PreK	2	18	С	30	С	42	С	Centers
Main	2nd Right - EHS1	Two Year Olds	1	8	С	8	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	2nd Right - EHS2	One Year Olds	1	8	С	8	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	3rd Left		0	0	С	23	С	32	С	
Main	3rd Right	Two Year Olds	1	10	С	17	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	4th Left		0	0	С	15	С	21	С	
Main	4th Right - B	One Year Olds	1	7	С	12	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	4th Right A	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	С	24	С	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	85		Total C ft.: 223	apacity @	25 sq.			

Total # Children this Date: 96

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 185

Total Capacity @25 sq.

ft.: 223

Playground Playground Building Playground Occupancy Compliance

**Comments** 

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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 Monitoring Visit:

## **Activities and Equipment**

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.12(2) - The consultant discussed with the director repairing the vinyl furniture that is beginning to tear or removing the furniture from the classrooms on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/28/2019

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

N/A

#### 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

#### Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/28/2018

## Corrected on 2/28/2019

.25(13) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that no hazards were observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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## **Health and Hygiene**

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/28/2018

#### Corrected on 2/28/2019

.07(5) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that center staff were observed to not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items on this date.

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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.

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Staff Records** 

#### **Records Reviewed: 22**

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

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 07/31/2017

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 08/24/1993

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 08/02/1992

Records Reviewed: 22	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0			
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 03/29/2009	Met			
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 08/01/2016	Met			
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 06/26/2000	Met			
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 02/04/2019	Met			
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 03/05/2012	Met			
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 11/21/2013	Met			
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 02/13/2017	Met			
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 12/07/1998	Met			
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 08/05/2013	Met			
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 12/21/2018	Met			
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 11/15/2016	Met			
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 09/18/2013	Met			
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 02/22/2018	Met			
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 11/14/2016	Met			
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 02/20/2019	Met			

**Records Reviewed: 22** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 19

Date of Hire: 08/25/2014

Staff # 20

Met

Met

Date of Hire: 12/11/2017

Staff #21

Met

Date of Hire: 03/12/2012

Staff # 22

Met

Date of Hire: 03/26/2018

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 22

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit.

## 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/29/2018

#### **Corrected on 2/28/2019**

.09(1)(i) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that all staff had satisfactory criminal background check determination letters on file dated within 12 months of their hire date on file on this

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.

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

Met

#### Comment

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