



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 6/26/2019    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 9:35 AM    **Departure:** 12:55 PM

**CCLC-16221**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
06/26/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
10/24/2018	POI Follow Up	Support
09/13/2018	Monitoring Visit	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.

**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-Upstairs Back	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B-Upstairs (1st RT)	Three Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C-(Downstairs 1st)		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	D-(Downstairs 2nd)		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 59						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 10			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 59			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance

**Comments**

Follow up to the previous Monitoring Visit that was conducted on September 13, 2018 was completed on this date.

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, <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

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@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us).

- 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: <http://dec.state.ga.us/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

Cheri Reeves, Program Official

Date

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

### Activities and Equipment

**591-1-1-.03 Activities**

Technical Assistance

**Technical Assistance**

Discussed daily schedules and lesson plans.

**Correction Deadline: 6/26/2019**

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

Met

**Correction Deadline: 10/24/2018**

**Corrected on 6/26/2019**

.12(4) - The television has been removed from the classroom.

**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: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

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**591-1-1-.08 Children's Records****Met****Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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**Facility**

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**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms****Met****Comment**

Please monitor bathrooms for necessary supplies.

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

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2018**

**Corrected on 6/26/2019**

**.26(8) - Mulch has been added to the exit areas of the slide and fall zones.**

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**Food Service**

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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Comment**

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3

Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

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**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations****Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized. Meals are provided by parents, so the kitchen is only used for meal prep.

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**Health and Hygiene**

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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

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**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****Not Evaluated****Comment**

The Director stated that no medication has been administered since the previous visit was conducted on September 13, 2018. (This rule was not evaluated on this date).

**Safety**

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**591-1-1-.05 Animals****N/A****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

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

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**591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)****N/A****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Staff Records**

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**Records Reviewed: 8****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 06/10/2019

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 07/01/2007

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 05/06/2019

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 07/01/2007

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 03/28/2019

**Records Reviewed: 8**

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

Staff # 6 Met  
Date of Hire: 05/08/2019

Staff # 7 Met  
Date of Hire: 04/30/2019

Staff # 8 Met  
Date of Hire: 06/11/2019

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8**

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

**Comment**

Director provided six files for employees hired since last visit on September 13, 2018.

**Correction Deadline: 10/24/2018**

**Corrected on 6/26/2019**

**.09(1)(d) - Satisfactory criminal record checks were observed completed as required. National checks were discussed with the Director.**

**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met**

**Comment**

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2018**

**Corrected on 6/26/2019**

**.14(2) - All staff have completed CPR and First Aid training as required. One new staff member is scheduled to take training.**

**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met**

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2018**

**Corrected on 6/26/2019**

**.33(3) - Health and Safety was observed completed as required.**

**Correction Deadline: 6/29/2018**

**Corrected on 6/26/2019**

**.33(6) -**

**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**

Discussed combining children of mixed ages.

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.