

## 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:** 2/14/2018 Arrival: 3:30 PM Departure: 5:45 PM VisitType: Licensing Study

#### **CCLC-16965** Regional Consultant

Deficient

## **Preferred School Care at Deerwood Academy**

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Quality Rated: 👚



Compliance Zone Designation					
02/14/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
09/22/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
02/08/2017	Licensing Study	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.

#### 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	171		0	0	С	23	С	NA	NA	
Main	177		0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	
Main	197		0	0	С	22	С	NA	NA	
Main	217	Six Year Olds and Over	2	8	С	22	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	218	Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	С	22	С	NA	NA	Homework
Main	242		0	0	С	22	С	NA	NA	
Main	Cafeteria	Six Year Olds and Over	3	13	С	89	С	NA	NA	Homework
Main	Gym		0	0	С	142	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	150		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.	Building ( Centers F		city limited by
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Total # Children this Date: 32

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

**Playground Playground Building** Playground Occupancy Compliance Main A Turf 44 C Main Courtyard 64 С

## **Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/14/2018

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).



Reminder: <u>All</u> employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <u>www.decalkoala.com</u>. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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: http://decal.ga.gov/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). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

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>

Gladys Carter, Program Official	Date	Stephen Knighton, Consultant	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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR) Met Comment A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center. 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) Met Comment No hazards observed accessible to children on this date. 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) Met Comment Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

There were diapered children enrolled in the program on this date.

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. 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) Met Comment Center does not participate in field trips at this time. 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) Met Comment Center does not provide routine transportation. **Sleeping & Resting Equipment** 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) Met Comment This is an after-school program; no naps are taken. Staff Records **Records Reviewed: 7 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3** Staff # 1 Met Date of Hire: 08/11/2008 Staff # 2 Not Met Date of Hire: 09/18/2017 "Missing/Incomplete Components" .24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing Staff #3 Not Met Date of Hire: 12/01/2016

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing,.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 4 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/18/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate, .24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

**Records Reviewed: 7** 

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3** 

Staff #5

Met

Date of Hire: 11/04/2016

Staff #6

Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/2014

Staff #7

Met

Date of Hire: 09/27/2016

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

## 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.33(1) requires all Employees and Provisional Employees to receive Initial Center orientation prior to assignment to children or task. It was determined based on a review of records that several employees did not have documentation of orientation as required.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and provide orientation for all new Staff prior to their staff's assignment to children or task.

#### Correction Deadline: 2/19/2018

## Recited on 2/14/2018

#### Finding

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety training at the time of employment that will count toward required annual training: Staff employed prior to September 30, 2016 will complete the training by December 29, 2016 and Staff employed after September 30, 2016 will complete the health and safety training within the first 90 days of employment. It was determined based on a review of records that several staff members did not complete health and safety orientation training as required.

#### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates.

## Correction Deadline: 3/16/2018

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.33(6) requires, in the first year of employment and then by calendar year thereafter, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers to attend ten (10) clock hours of training which is task-focused in early childhood education or child development or subjects relating to job assignment and is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. It was determined based on a review of records that several staff members did not have ten clock hours of annual training as required.

#### 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: 5/1/2018

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met

## Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

## **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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.