

# 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: 7/25/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 11:50 AM Departure: 2:00 PM

CCLC-189

**Trinity Northwest Atlanta Early Learning Center-Trinity** 

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**Quality Rated: No** 

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Compliance Zone Designation				
07/25/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
02/27/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
09/05/2018	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

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

**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	1L:A-22	Three Year Olds	4	15	C	16	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	1R: A-21		0	0	С	14	С	NA	NA	
Main	2L:A-24	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	С	16	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2R:A-23	Two Year Olds	2	10	С	17	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3L:A-26		0	0	С	16	С	NA	NA	
Main	3R:A-25	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	12	С	15	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	4L:A-28	PreK	4	5	С	19	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	5L: A-30	One Year Olds	2	11	С	17	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	5L: A-32	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	11	С	17	С	NA	NA	Clean Up,Nap
Main	5R: A31-A	Infants	2	4	С	8	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Clean Up,Diapering
Main	6R: A31-B	Infants	2	6	С	8	С	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	6R: A-34	Infants	2	5	С	7	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	70		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			

Total # Children this Date: 91 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 170

Total Capacity @25 sq.

π.:

Building Playground Playground Compliance

#### Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit and follow up to the previous visit on February 27, 2019.

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 qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

A	ctivities and Equipment
591-1-112 Equipment & Toys(CR)	Met
Comment	
A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.	
591-1-135 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)	Met
Comment	
Center does not provide swimming activities.	
	Facility
591-1-106 Bathrooms	Met
Comment	
Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.	
591-1-119 License Capacity(CR)	Met
Comment	
Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.	
591-1-125 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment	
Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.	
591-1-126 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 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) Met Comment The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication. Safety 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR) Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

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

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Staff Records** 

# **Records Reviewed: 19**

## Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 04/21/2014

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 11/23/2015

Staff #3 Met

Date of Hire: 07/27/2019

Staff #4 Met

Date of Hire: 10/16/2017

Staff #5 Met

Date of Hire: 07/22/2013

Records Reviewed: 19	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 01/06/2012	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 06/05/2013	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 09/06/2006	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 03/19/2008	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 02/20/2012	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 02/01/2016	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 05/09/2014	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 01/25/1991	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 04/22/2015	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 07/16/2018	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 01/01/2019	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 06/07/2009	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 10/26/2015	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 10/28/2013	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 15	

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

Not Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete for all staff members.

#### Comment

Director provided two file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

#### Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(j) requires that for portability for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training, only the most recently issued determination letter is eligible for portability and must be ported electronically. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. It was determined based on review of records that one staff had not been electronically ported over on this date.

# **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will monitor all staff criminal record check letters to ensure that only the most recently issued determination letter is electronically ported for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will watch the A to Z videos to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2019

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.