

### 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:** 3/20/2018 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 12:10 PM Departure: 3:15 PM

CCLC-30521 Regional Consultant

Deficient

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Same

**Quality Rated: No** 

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Compliance Zone Designation					
03/20/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
10/17/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
04/20/2017	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

> 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 Room 208	One Year Olds	2	4	С	19	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	2L Room 212	Two Year Olds	2	7	С	17	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	3L Room 213		0	0	С	17	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	4L Room 217	Three Year Olds	1	7	С	18	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Downstairs 1L Room 102	Three Year Olds	3	17	С	31	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Downstairs 2L Room 106		0	0	С	24	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Downstairs 3L Room 110	Four Year Olds	2	13	С	24	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Downstairs 4L Room 114	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	3	16	С	32	С	NA	NA	Outside
	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		25 sq.	Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 64	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	2		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

**Playground Playground** Compliance Building Playground Occupancy

#### Comments

Main

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a licensing study visit and to follow up to the previous visit conducted on October 17, 2017.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/20/2018

Playground

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 <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. 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>

Dassie New, Program Official	Date	Shannon Curtis, 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.

**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
91-1-108 Children's Records	Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

**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)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on Consultant's observations that staff purses were observed in Classrooms 113, and 102 in unlocked storage closets and one black staff purse laying on the floor next to lower cabinets in room 114 on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 3/20/2018

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed maintenance of removal of trash prior to children accessing the play area on this date.

**Food Service** 

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

#### Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

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

#### 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

### 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Per discussion with the staff the program does not administer medication at this time.

# **Policies and Procedures**

#### 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

#### Comment

Consultant observed evidence of monthly fire drills conducted as of February 26, 2018 on this date.

## Correction Deadline: 3/25/2018

# 591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices

Met

#### Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-105 Animals	Met
Comment	
Center does not keep animals on premises.	
591-1-111 Discipline(CR)	Met
Comment	
Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.	
591-1-113 Field Trips(CR)	Met
Comment	
Contar door not participate in field trips at this time	

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

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

# **Staff Records**

Records Reviewed: 14	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1
Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 07/31/2017	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 03/01/2018	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 07/01/2011	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 08/22/2014	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 08/01/2014	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/01/2009	Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 01/02/2012

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 02/15/2018

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 07/13/2013

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 08/29/2016

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 08/14/2017

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 08/16/2010

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 14

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

Met

Met

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete for all staff on this date.

#### Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit.

# 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

### Comment

Complete kits observed in center and on vehicles.

#### Comment

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

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

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Discussed: Health and Safety Training is required for each staff member with direct care responsibilities within 90 calendar days of their hire date.

#### **Finding**

Previously Cited: 591-1-1-.33(5) requires ten clock hours of annual training for supervisory and caregiver Staff, except for independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers, in the subjects of early childhood education, child development or subjects related to the position. It was determined based on review of employee files that one of eleven staff members did not have evidence of ten clock hours of annual training for 2016 on this date.

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 review of staff files that one of fourteen staff members did not have evidence ten clock hours of annual training for 2017 on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

Previously Cited: The center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of ongoing training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

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Correction Deadline: 12/31/2018

Recited on 3/20/2018

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)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times and that the persons supervising in the child care area be alert, able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the chaperones and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. It was determined based on Consultant's observations that a four-year-old child was observed to enter Classroom #110 from the outside play area to use the restroom unsupervised on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 3/20/2018