

# 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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CCLC-30950 Regional Consultant

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**Quality Rated: No** 

					ne Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring ains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good					
05/08/2	2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	standing, support, and deficient.						
10/24/2	2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Good Standing	<ul> <li>Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>					
06/04/2	2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Support	<ul> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.</li> </ul>					
				Deficient	<ul> <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
Building 2	Building 2	Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	3	15	С	47	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Sn ack
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 4	7		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			
Main	1st Left	Infants and One Year Olds	2	11	С	21	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding
Main	1st Right	One Year Olds	1	5	С	13	С	NA	NA	Nap,Transitionin
Main	2nd Left	Two Year Olds	2	13	С	26	С	NA	NA	Nap,Transitionin
Main	2nd Right	Two Year Olds	2	14	С	21	С	NA	NA	Nap,Transitionin
Main	Back Right	Three Year Olds	2	22	С	32	С	NA	NA	Nap,Transitionin
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 113			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 80		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 160			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building Playground Occupancy Playground Compliance

Comments

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 Licensing Study:

# **Activities and Equipment**

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the blue framed bulletin board in the girls bathroom in Building 2 had an exposed screw sticking out.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children. Please make sure the screw is flush with the bulletin board.

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2019

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

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

## **Children's Records**

# Records Reviewed: 5 Child # 1 Child # 2 Child # 3 Met Child # 4 Child # 4 Child # 5 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Met Met Met Met Met

#### 591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

#### Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**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(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the following was present:

#### Building 2

Paint was peeling off the right and back walls.

The first window ledge on the right wall had a hole measuring 6" length x 2" width.

The back wall had a hole below the window measuring 2" length x 2" length.

Toddler Playground

A wire hanging from the overhang to the baseboard was not attached posing a strangulation hazard.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2019

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

Not Met

#### Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that on the toddler playground right back side corner fencing there was a gap measuring 3 1/2" width x 5" length posing an entrapment hazard.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2019

**Food Service** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Infant feeding forms were updated regularly.

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation in Building 2 the after school children that arrived from the school bus had not washed their hands upon arrival.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on required handwashing for children and Staff will ensure children's hands are washed when required. The Director will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 5/8/2019

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

Met

#### Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

#### 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

#### 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: 20**

#### **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 05/12/2014

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 10/09/2018

Staff #3

Met

Date of Hire: 06/29/2015

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 09/27/2018

Records Reviewed: 20	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 11/18/2013	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 09/03/2018	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 09/23/2018	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 03/07/2019	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 01/05/2017	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 03/06/2019	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 01/27/2018	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 08/01/2017	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 03/16/2018	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 03/06/2019	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 10/31/2017  "Missing/Incomplete Components"	Not Met
.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training	
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 03/07/2018	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 08/02/2010	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 08/24/2015	Met
Staff # 19	Met

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Records Reviewed: 20 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Date of Hire: 01/17/2019

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 04/27/2017

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 20

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2018

#### Corrected on 5/8/2019

.09(1)(c) - Correction observed on this date. Current staff had satisfactory comprehensive record check determination.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.33(6) - Please ensure all staff complete the full ten hours of annual training.

Correction Deadline: 6/7/2019

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.