

# 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: 9/30/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 8:35 AM Departure: 11:15 AM

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**Quality Rated:** 



Compliance Zone Designation					
09/30/2019	Monitoring Visit	Support	st		
01/28/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	G		
09/10/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	S		

Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring nistory, 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 - Pr

 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	Room A		0	0	С	9	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room B	One Year Olds	5	5	С	6	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Free Play
Main	Room C	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	С	14	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room D	Two Year Olds	1	3	С	9	С	NA	NA	Story
Main	Room E	Six Year Olds and Over	1	2	С	19	С	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 5	7		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 17	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 5	7		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

otal # Children this Date: 17 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 57 Total Capacity @25 s

Building	Building Playground		Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	160	

#### **Comments**

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 10/14/2019

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 <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

Lillian Zachery, Program Official	Date	LaTanya Barber-Swift, Consultant	Date



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#### **Findings Report**

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### The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

## **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

Swimming activities provided off site.

**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

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Correction Deadline: 1/28/2019

Corrected on 9/30/2019

.25(13) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. The bathroom drawer in room D, did not have hazardous items in it.

<b>Finding</b> 591-1-126(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 the back left fence on the playground had a gap that measured approximately six inches high and twenty four inches wide.
Correction Deadline: 9/30/2019
Recited on 9/30/2019
Correction Deadline: 2/15/2019
Corrected on 9/30/2019 .26(8) -The previous citation was corrected on this date. The Center had added the appropriate amount of resilient surface.
<b>Finding</b> 591-1-126(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that the concrete outside of classroom D had sharp edges and bricks that could pose a tripping hazard. It was further determined that pine cones were observed on the playground which posed a potential tripping hazard.
Correction Deadline: 0/20/2040
Correction Deadline: 9/30/2019

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

**Not Met** 

#### Recited on 9/30/2019

**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 discussed throughout the center. 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) Met Correction Deadline: 1/28/2019 **Corrected on 9/30/2019** .20(4) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. There were no medications accessible to the children. Safety 591-1-1-.05 Animals N/A Comment Center does not keep animals on premises. 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 Field trip documentation observed to be complete. 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) Met Comment Complete documentation of transportation observed. **Sleeping & Resting Equipment** Met 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) Comment Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. **Staff Records Records Reviewed: 4** 

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

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 10/25/2013

Staff # 2 Met

Records Reviewed: 4	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 07/29/2019	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4	
591-1-109 Criminal Records and Con	nprehensive Background Checks(CR) Met
Comment Criminal record checks were observed to Correction Deadline: 1/28/2019	be complete.
	orrected on this date. The director had submitted both a records and fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site.
Corrected on 9/30/2019	orrected on this date. The director had a comprehensive records
591-1-133 Staff Training	Not Met
the time of employment that will count to will complete the training by December 2 health and safety training within the first of the staff files reviewed for staff #4 hire within the first 90 days of employment.	er with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety training at ward required annual training: Staff employed prior to September 30, 2016 19, 2016 and Staff employed after September 30, 2016 will complete the 90 days of employment. It was determined based on observation that one d on February 13, 2019, did not complete the health and safety training
Correction Deadline: 10/30/2019	
591-1-131 Staff(CR)	Met
Comment Staff observed to be compliant with appli	cable laws and regulations.
	Staffing and Supervision
591-1-132 Staff:Child Ratios and Gro	up Size(CR) Met
<b>Comment</b> Adequate supervision observed on this of	late.
591-1-132 Supervision(CR)	Met

Comment Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.			