

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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VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 9:10 AM **Date:** 8/11/2022 **Departure:** 12:00 PM

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Quality Rated:

| Compliance Zone Designation | | | 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 | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 08/11/2022 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | standing, support | | | | |
| | Investigation Closure | | | Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. | | | |
| 04/20/2022 | Incident Investigation & Follow Up | Good Standing | | 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 |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Back | Back room | | 0 | 0 | С | 26 | С | NA | NA | - |
| Back | Front Left | Three Year Olds | 1 | 5 | С | 20 | С | NA | NA | Art |
| Back | Front Right | Three Year Olds | 1 | 5 | С | 20 | С | NA | NA | Story |
| | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 6 | 6 | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | 25 sq. | | | |
| Main | 1st Left | Infants and One Year Olds | 2 | 6 | С | 13 | С | NA | NA | Diapering,Floor Play |
| Main | 1st Right | GA PreK | 2 | 19 | С | 29 | С | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | Back Left | One Year Olds | 1 | 8 | С | 13 | С | NA | NA | Centers,Floor Play |
| Main | Back right - Back | Two Year Olds | 1 | 8 | С | 9 | С | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | Back right - Front | Two Year Olds | 1 | 8 | С | 11 | С | NA | NA | Centers |
| | Total Capacity @35 | | 5 | | Total C ft.: 0 | apacity @ | 25 sq. | | | |
| Total # Cl | hildren this Date: 59 | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1 | 41 | | Total C | apacity @ | 25 sq. | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | Infants | 47 | С |
| Main | Preschool | 144 | С |
| Main | Toddler | 21 | С |

ft.: 0

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licensing study. This visit was conducted in person by the consultant on August 11, 2022.

An Administrative Review of all requested documents for a Licensing Study was completed on August 19, 2022. All requested documentation was submitted or emailed.

An Exit conference was discussing the Licensing Study report was conducted on August 19, 2022 with the Director. Consultant emailed the report requesting signature and to be emailed back to the consultant within two business days.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/11/2022

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, http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx, 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





Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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) | | | | | | |
|---|------|----------------------------|------|--|--|--|
| Denise Grendell, Program Official | Date | Charlene Story, 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

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

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

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

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-Ī-.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 consultant observation that the bottom pole of the fencing that is located to the right around an extra fenced in space, was not attached to the fence. It was further observed that the gate between the toddler playground and the preschool playground was not secure and close properly allowing the children to open the gate.

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: 8/11/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(6) - Back Playground needs more than one climbing gym. Needs more of a variety of activities for the children.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.26(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 consultant's observation that on the climbing equipment on the Back Playground was coming unattached. It was also observed that the steps leading to the slide on the toddler playground were peeling off.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 8/18/2022

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3

Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch - Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx

USDA

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures was observed in the First Left Classroom (Infant) in the front building.

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures in the Back Left Classroom in the front building.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed in the First Right Classroom in the front building.

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

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

Met

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices

Met

Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Comment

Thank you for reporting as required for your Annual Inspection.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Age-appropriate redirection observed by the consultant in the First Right Classroom in the Front Building, the Front and Back Classroom to the back right in the front building, and the Right and Left Classrooms in the back building.

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

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

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: 20 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2016

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 06/09/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 12/02/2021

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 09/27/2011

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 05/01/2022

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 02/21/2022

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 07/21/2020

Records Reviewed: 20 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Staff #8 Met Date of Hire: 11/18/2021 Staff #9 Met Date of Hire: 03/01/2022 Staff # 10 Met Date of Hire: 07/19/2021 Staff # 11 Met Date of Hire: 03/31/2022 Staff # 12 Met Date of Hire: 03/01/2022 Staff # 13 Met Date of Hire: 05/02/2022 Staff # 14 Met Date of Hire: 07/31/2006 Staff # 15 Met Date of Hire: 09/29/1987 Staff # 16 Met Date of Hire: 06/07/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired Staff # 17 Met Date of Hire: 07/07/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired Staff # 18 Met Date of Hire: 07/06/2021 Staff # 19 Met Date of Hire: 05/16/2022 Staff # 20 Met Date of Hire: 05/02/2022 Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Met

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met Comment Criminal records checks were observed to be complete. 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met Comment Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR. 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met Comment Documentation was observed of the Ten (10) Hours of the required annual training for the year 2021. 591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met Comment Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations. **Staffing and Supervision**

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.