

# 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: 2/21/2019 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 11:00 AM Departure: 2:00 PM

CCLC-37769

Kids Come First Early Learning Centers #2

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Same

Quality Rated:

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Compliance Zone Designation				
02/21/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
10/30/2018	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing		
10/30/2018	Complaint Closure	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

rule

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	A/1R	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	С	13	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	B/2R		0	0	С	13	С	NA	NA	
Main	C/1L	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	С	13	С	18	С	Clean Up,Transitioning
Main	D/2L	Two Year Olds	1	5	С	13	С	NA	NA	Story
Main	E/Rear Lft	PreK	2	15	С	22	С	30	С	Story,Nap
Main	F/Rear Right	PreK	2	19	С	22	С	30	С	Story,Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 9	6		Total C ft.: 117	apacity @	25 sq.			

Total # Children this Date: 52

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 96

Total Capacity @25 sq.

ft.: 117

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A/Left	26	С
Main	PG B/Right	74	С

#### Comments

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a licensing study.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/21/2019

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>

Crystal Hernandez, Program Official	Date	LaQuita Clark, Consultant	Date



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#### The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

# **Activities and Equipment**

591-1-1-,03 Activities Met

Comment

A variety of developmentally appropriate activities were observed. Current lesson plans were on file.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2019

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

Met

Commen

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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 Met Child # 5

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

Met

#### Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized. Complete documentation of arrival and departure records were observed.

**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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Playgrounds observed following heavy rain. Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute. Also please ensure tree roots are covered with material or painted a bright color to be recognized by children.

**Food Service** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines. Current feeding plans were observed on file.

#### 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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Met

#### Comment

The Director stated medication is not dispensed within the center.

# **Policies and Procedures**

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

Met

#### Comment

A current emergency plan and documentation of completed emergency drills was observed on file.

Correction Deadline: 2/26/2019

# Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff stated appropriate use of discipline methods, such as discussion and redirection.

#### 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

#### 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

#### Comment

A current inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date. The center bus was in use and not on the premises during the visit. The consultant observed the center van to be in good repair with an operable fire extinguisher and complete first aid kit. Completed transportation documentation was also observed on file. Staff participating in transportation were observed to have evidence of current transportation training on file.

# Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

#### Comment

Safety approved cribs, mats and cots were observed. Staff stated used of safe sleep procedures. Crib sheets were said to be washed/changed daily and sheets for mats/cots are washed weekly as required.

## **Staff Records**

# **Records Reviewed: 10** Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Staff # 1 Met Date of Hire: 09/15/2014 Staff # 2 Met Date of Hire: 06/27/2017 Staff #3 Met Date of Hire: 01/15/2019 Staff #4 Met Date of Hire: 08/25/2015 Staff #5 Met Date of Hire: 07/11/2016 Staff #6 Met Date of Hire: 09/15/2014 Staff #7 Met Date of Hire: 09/15/2014

Records Reviewed: 10 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2015

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 09/15/2014

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 09/29/2017

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

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

Met

#### Comment

The director provided one file for staff hired since the previous visit. Current satisfactory comprehensive background checks were observed on file for all staff. The consultant walked the director through the process of having everyone ported over from the sister center.

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

Met

#### Comment

Evidence observed of current CPR/first aid for all staff employed over 90 days. Consultant discussed with the director to please ensure new staff employed less than 90 days obtain the certification as required.

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

Met

#### Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training for annual year 2018. Staff employed over 90 days had evidence of the health and safety orientation training. Consultant discussed with the director to please ensure the new staff employed less than 90 days complete the health and safety training as required.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.