

## 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: 11/5/2020 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 11:45 AM Departure: 12:45 PM

**CCLC-38667** Regional Consultant

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Quality Rated: >





Compliance Zone Designation				
11/05/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
02/07/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
09/30/2019	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

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	Infants	1	6	С	17	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play
Main	В	One Year Olds	2	14	С	17	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Na
Main	С	Two Year Olds	2	6	С	21	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D	Two Year Olds	2	14	С	22	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Na
Main	E	PreK	2	11	С	27	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	F		0	0	С	24	С	NA	NA	
Main	G		0	0	С	24	С	NA	NA	
Main	Н	PreK	2	10	С	16	С	22	С	Transitioning,Cir cle Time
Main	I	Three Year Olds	1	15	С	16	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Na
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	84		Total C ft.: 190	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 76	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	84		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

Playground **Playground** Building Playground Compliance Occupancy Main 39

Α

ft.: 190

Main	В	50	С
Main	С	118	С
Main	D	67	С

#### Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on November 4, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on November 5, 2020 with the staff person in charge. An in-person visit was not conducted due to Covid-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on June 16, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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: 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).

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Delphine Thomas, Program Official	Date	Penny Svenson, 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 Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit.

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

### 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 met by the center on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Met

### Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Defer

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2020

### Corrected on 11/5/2020

The Director stated the fence was repaired.

#### Defer

The visit was conducted virtually due to COVID-19 Pandemic and the playground was unable to be observed and will be observed on the next regulatory visit.

### **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2020

**Food Service** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the new infant feeding plan is now required and that parents should have discussed with the child's pediatrician foods that are developmentally appropriate and all have agreed that it is developmentally appropriate. There is no required written piece needed from the doctor. The parent must acknowledge and sign off on the new form that they have discussed with the pediatrician and it is deemed appropriate.

Correction Deadline: 11/5/2020

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2020

### Corrected on 11/5/2020

The correction was observed on this date. Staff stated proper steps for disinfecting the changing table after children were diapered.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2020

## **Corrected on 11/5/2020**

The correction was observed on this date. Staff stated proper times to wash children's hands after being diapered.

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2020 Corrected on 11/5/2020

The correction was observed on this date. Staff stated appropriate times to wash hands after diapering children.

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

Met

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment** 

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed during the virtual visit.

**Staff Records** 

**Records Reviewed: 31** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Date of Hire: 07/16/2019

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 04/27/2019

Staff #3

Met

Met

Date of Hire: 09/10/2019

Staff # 4

Met

Met

Staff #5

Date of Hire: 12/05/2005

Staff #6

Met

Date of Hire: 02/03/2020

Records Reviewed: 31	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 03/04/2012	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 10/17/2008	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 08/06/2015	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 08/02/2010	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 08/08/2019	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 08/16/2019	Met
Staff # 23	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 05/25/2005	Met
Staff # 25	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 03/07/2019	Met

Records Reviewed: 31

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 27

Met

Staff # 28

Met

Staff # 29

Met

Date of Hire: 10/12/2015

Staff #30

Met

Date of Hire: 03/09/2019

Staff # 31

Met

Date of Hire: 10/03/2019

### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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

Met

### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director that On-line only First Aid and CPR were not accepted forms of training in order to meet the requirement for Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning.

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

Met

### Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

## 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 on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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

Met

## Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.