

## Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

**Date:** 6/4/2019 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 12:25 PM Departure: 2:05 PM

CCLC-39196 Regional Consultant

**Tina's Tiny Tots** 

227 South Harney Street Camilla, GA 31730 Mitchell County (229) 351-0056 tinastinytots@bellsouth.net

Phone: (229) 238-2958 Fax: (229) 238-2957

Cresia Jackson

cresia.jackson@decal.ga.gov

**Mailing Address** 227 S Harney St Camilla, GA 31730

Quality Rated: No

<u>Comp</u>	oliance Zone Desig	<u>nation</u>	Compliance Zone Designation - A shistory, as it pertains to child care he			
06/04/2019	Licensing Study		standing, support, and deficient.			
11/13/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Good Standing - Program is demon- the rules.			
03/14/2018	Licensing Study	Support	Support - Program performa rules.			

summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring ealth and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good

nstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting

ance 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/Toddler	Infants	1	6	С	8	С	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	B- Preschool	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	0	11	NC	11	С	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 19		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0						
Total # Children this Date: 17		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 19		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0						

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance	
Main	Playground	19	С	

#### Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/04/2019

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>

Tina Humphries, Program Official	Date	Cresia Jackson, Consultant	Date



## Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

## **Findings Report**

Date: 6/4/2019 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 12:25 PM Departure: 2:05 PM

CCLC-39196 Regional Consultant

**Tina's Tiny Tots** 

227 South Harney Street Camilla, GA 31730 Mitchell County (229) 351-0056 tinastinytots@bellsouth.net

Fax: (229) 238-2957 cresia.jackson@decal.ga.gov

Phone: (229) 238-2958

Cresia Jackson

Mailing Address 227 S Harney St Camilla, GA 31730

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

## **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

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/12/2018

Corrected on 6/4/2019

This citation was observed to be correct on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

**Not Met** 

#### 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 observation that the Little Tyke gym set had a large cut in the pink slide over 12 inches long posing a cutting hazard. It was further determined that the red wagon was missing the holding handle, and the swing set of four had one swing torn apart and hanging over the swing set.

## 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: 6/4/2019

**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 observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Please be mindful of voice tone in redirecting children.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

**Technical Assistance** 

Consultant discussed with director safe sleep environment.

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2019

Staff Records

**Records Reviewed: 3** 

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

Staff # 1

Date of Hire: 09/17/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.09-Criminal Records Check Missing

Staff # 2

Met

Not Met

Staff #3

Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/1999

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires that a Center ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on review of employee files that one employee hired 09-17-2018 did not have evidence of a satisfactory records check application to the department and fingerprints authorizing presence at the site.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will [] to ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site as required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will [] to ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2019

#### Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on review of employee files that one employee did not have evidence of a valid current satisfactory records check determination on file prior to being present at the center while children was present for care.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMÈDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will complete the necessary steps to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will take the necessary steps to ensue the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2019

#### Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(d) requires the Center to ensure that every Provisional Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center and must be supervised at all times by a Director or Employee with a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination. The Fingerprint Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Provisional Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on observation of employee file that one employee present did not have a current satisfactory records check determination on file. It was further determined that the employee was not supervised by the director or an employee who did have a comprehensive clearance.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will complete all necessary guide lines to ensure that every Provisional Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center and must be supervised at all times by a Director or Employee with a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination. The Fingerprint Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Provisional Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will complete the guide lines to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2019

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)

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.32(5) requires that during day-time rest or sleeping periods, at least one Staff person is in each room providing direct supervision of the children and all Staff required by these rules relating to Staff: child ratios are in the Center and available to assure safe evacuation in an emergency. Staff: child ratios may be doubled for children three (3) years and older provided these requirements are met. It was determined based on observation that class room (B) did not have a staff person present while eleven children ages 3 and 4 were down for nap.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will rearrange staff schedules to ensure the required number of staff are in each room and available.

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2019

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

Not Met

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times and that the persons supervising in the child care area be alert, able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the chaperones and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. It was determined based on observation that the center director did not have enough staff to assist with caring for the children in care during operation hours, causing the children to be un supervised at various periods of the day.

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

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2019