



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 12/21/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 10:00 AM

**Departure:** 11:00 AM

**CCLC-39778**

**Kids' Zone Daycare and Learning Center**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
12/21/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/15/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/29/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

**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	2	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	B		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	E	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	F	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G	Five Year Olds	1	4	C	22	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	H	Six Year Olds and Over	1	1	C	19	C	NA	NA	Homework
Main	I	One Year Olds	1	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	J	One Year Olds	1	4	C	11	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	K		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	L-Dance and Exercise Room	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 51			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				


Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - Left	28	C
Main	B - Right	50	C
Main	Infant Playground	4	C

**Comments**

An Administrative Review and virtual inspection were conducted on December 21, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 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).

	<p>Please refer to the website, <a href="http://www.dec.al.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.dec.al.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,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 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</li><li>• New clearance is required at least once every five years</li><li>• Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance</li><li>• All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check</li><li>• 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</li><li>• Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee</li></ul>
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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@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.al.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://dec.al.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).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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Vimal Parag, Program Official

Date

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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 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.

### 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

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

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

**Correction Deadline: 11/15/2019**

**Corrected on 12/21/2020**

**.25(13) - Hazardous materials observed stored inaccessible to children.**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(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.

**Correction Deadline: 12/21/2020**

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**Food Service**

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

**Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Diapering surface observed smooth and non porous.

**Correction Deadline: 12/21/2020**

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

**Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

**Comment**

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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**Policies and Procedures**

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**591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting** **Met**

**Comment**

Thank you for reporting as required.

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**Safety**

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

**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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**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**

Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment****591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Infant sleep safety requirements observed met.

**Correction Deadline: 12/31/2020****Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 49****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 06/01/2018	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 09/19/2019	
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 06/10/2019	
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 07/09/2019	
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 04/16/2019	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 08/21/2019	
Staff # 12	Met

Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 10/17/2019	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 04/05/2019	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 06/14/2019	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 09/05/2019	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 06/14/2019	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 06/03/2019	Met
Staff # 23	Met
Staff # 24	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 05/01/2018	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 02/27/2019	Met
Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 08/27/2018	Met
Staff # 28	Met
Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 02/06/2019	Met
Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 10/21/2019	Met

**Records Reviewed: 49**

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

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Staff # 31	Met
Staff # 32	Met
Staff # 33	Met
Staff # 34	Met
Staff # 35	Met
Staff # 36	Met
Date of Hire: 06/10/2019	
Staff # 37	Met
Staff # 38	Met
Staff # 39	Met
Staff # 40	Met
Staff # 41	Met
Date of Hire: 04/19/2019	
Staff # 42	Met
Date of Hire: 09/23/2019	
Staff # 43	Met
Staff # 44	Met
Staff # 45	Met
Date of Hire: 08/15/2019	
Staff # 46	Met
Staff # 47	Met
Staff # 48	Met
Staff # 49	Met

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**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8**

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<b>591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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<b>591-1-1-.14 First Aid &amp; CPR</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**

**Met**

**Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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**591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.