



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 9/1/2021    **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 10:00 AM    **Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-54533**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
09/01/2021	Initial Licensing Study	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 rules.

**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	Room A - (Front Left)		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room B - (Right Side)		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room C - (Back Left)		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:						39	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0	
Total # Children this Date: 0			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			39	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0	

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	36	C

**Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on September 1, 2021. Staff files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 1, 2021 with the Director.

Congratulations! This facility was granted permission to operate on this date. This licensed facility carries liability insurance.

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, <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

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.decal.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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.

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#### 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](mailto: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.

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**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.decal.ga.gov/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@decal.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov)

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Shelia Mathis, Program Official

Date

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Angela Byrd, Consultant

Date



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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

### Activities and Equipment

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

**Met**

**Comment**

On this date, consultant observed equipment, furniture and toys throughout the center, to be non - hazardous, fully - secured, and not able to cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over.

**Correction Deadline: 9/1/2021**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

On this date, the center director/owner stated that the program will not participate in swimming/water activities, in water measuring two (2) feet in depth or greater. Consultant discussed swimming/water requirements with center director/owner, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to center director/owner that prior to participating in swimming/water activities, in any type of equipment holding water two (2) feet in depth or greater, the center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review swimming/water activity rules. There is no pool on the premises.

### Facility

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

**Met**

**Comment**

The program has a capacity of 39 occupants.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center appears clean and well maintained on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair on this date.

### Health and Hygiene

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

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

**Comment**

There were no children enrolled in the program on this date. Proper diaper facilities were observed with warm running water and proper ventilation.

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures on this date.

**Safety**

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. The center's discipline policy was reviewed on this date. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the director on this date.

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**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****Met****Comment**

A current/completed inspection was observed for the vehicle used in transporting children this date. Van was not observed due to being in the shop. Consultant observed training, fire extinguisher, and first aid kit which will be used for transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

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**Records Reviewed: 3****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 09/01/2021

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 09/01/2021

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 09/01/2021

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**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 0**

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

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

**Comment**

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

**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**

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper ratios and classroom capacities were discussed with the director on this date.

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

**Comment**

A supervision plan was created on this date.

**Restroom Supervision:**

For classrooms A and C, teachers will ensure that no other students are in the restroom at the same time.

**Classroom Supervision:**

Due to the shape of classroom A, B, and C teachers will position themselves to always ensure safe supervision of children.

**Transition to Playground:**

Teachers in classrooms A and C will use rope to line children up for the playground. Teachers will walk children out the front door, then around to the playground.

**Comment**

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, were discussed with the director on this date.