

# 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: 9/19/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 9:20 AM Departure: 12:30 PM

## CCLC-9152 Regional Consultant

## All About Kids Early Learning Center

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Quality Rated:





Com	oliance Zone Desig	nation_
09/19/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
05/29/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/10/2018	Monitoring Visit	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	A	Two Year Olds	2	16	С	18	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	В	One Year Olds	2	10	С	21	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	С	Infants	1	4	С	6	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Transit ioning,Outside
Main	D	Three Year Olds	1	10	С	22	С	31	С	Outside
Main	Е	Four Year Olds	1	10	С	19	С	26	С	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 86	3		Total C ft.: 102	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 50	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 86	3		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

otal # Children this Date: 50 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 86 Total Capacity @25 s ft.: 102

**Playground Playground** Building Playground Compliance Occupancy PG A 33 Main С Main PG B 48 С Main PG C 15 С PG D Main 19

#### Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a monitoring visit and a follow up for any previous rule citations.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/19/2019

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:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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## **Findings Report**

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## The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

## **Activities and Equipment**

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.12(2) - The consultant observed a red vinyl chair in the three-year-old classroom to have tears on the arm rests, seat, and back rest. The consultant discussed with the center about replacing, repairing, or removing the chair to ensure the chair is waterproof and washable as required.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2019

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

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

## 591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

**Technical Assistance** 

## **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.06(4) - The consultant observed the exhaust fan in the four-year-old classroom girl's bathroom not to be operable. The director stated that they would have the fan repaired.

Correction Deadline: 10/19/2019

## 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

#### Defer

591-1-1-.25(3)- This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit to allow the center time to replace the bathrooms doors. The last regulatory visit was on May 29, 2019.

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

To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the environment, the center will repair / replace the doors.

Correction Deadline: 6/10/2019

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

**Not Met** 

#### Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the following equipment hazards were accessible to children on the playground.

- -On the Toddler playground one red cozy coupe had a hole where the gas cap used that could be an entrapment hazard to children in care.
- -On the Older playground the red and yellow tunnel trains had chipping paint and were rusted.
- -On the Older playground a yellow dump truck had chipping paint.
- -On the older playground there was a green milk that was cracked on the side that could be a pinching or scratching hazard.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2019

#### **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 following hazards were present on the playgrounds and accessible to children in care.

- -On the toddler playground the door frame leading into the one-year-old classroom was missing part of the frame on the bottom left hand corner. The missing part measures 13 inches in height, has chipping paint, and an exposed and rusted building staple.
- -On the older playground the door frame leading into the three-year-old classroom was missing part of the frame on both sides measuring six 1/2 inches in height on the left hand side and four inches in height on the right hand side. The missing areas had three exposed rusted building staples, rotten wood, and chipping paint. -The concrete ramp leading up to the four-year-old classroom had sharp edges at the bottom.

#### **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: 9/19/2019

## **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Met

## Comment

Please ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste.

#### Common

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

#### Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

## 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)

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 requires that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate comfortably the size and weight of the child; and that mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick. It was determined based on observation that four of twenty four rest mats in the three-year-old class room had tears on the seams or corners with the inside foam exposed.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate the size and weight of the child and mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and is at least two inches thick.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2019

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2019

#### Corrected on 9/19/2019

.30(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The cots were observed to be covered.

Staff Records

# Records Reviewed: 6 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2010

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 06/01/2013

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 08/29/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 04/11/2016

Staff # 5

Records Reviewed: 6 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 04/08/2011

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 10/03/2018

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Met

## Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.