



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 8/18/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

**Arrival:** 12:00 PM **Departure:** 1:45 PM

**CCLC-52363**

**Bright Futures Child Care Center Calhoun**

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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.
08/18/2022	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/21/2022	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
03/25/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
			<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.

**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 (1st Right)	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room B (1st Left)	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room C (2nd Right)	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room D (2nd Left)	One Year Olds	1	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room E (3rd Right)	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room F (3rd Left)	One Year Olds	2	5	C	11	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room G (4th Right)	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room H (4th Left)	Infants	2	10	C	12	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Nap, Flo or Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 102					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 71					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A (Rear)	78	C
Main	Playground B (Toddler)	21	C

**Comments**

A Complaint Investigation and Monitoring Visit was completed on August 18, 2022. The two allegations were not substantiated.

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.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



### Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

**Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA [www.decalkoala.com](http://www.decalkoala.com) with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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)

Brandy Stokes, Program Official

Date

Chasity Baugh, Consultant

Date



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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**

**Comment**

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

**Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed 591-1-1-.12(4) which requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over.

**Correction Deadline: 8/18/2022**

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

**N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

### Facility

**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**

**Comment**

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

### Health and Hygiene

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<b>591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas &amp; Practices(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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<b>591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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<b>591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

<b>Safety</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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<b>591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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**Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

<b>Staff Records</b>
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<b>Records Reviewed: 25</b>
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<b>Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0</b>
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Staff # 1	Met
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Date of Hire: 09/16/2019

Staff # 2	Met
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Date of Hire: 02/04/2013

Staff # 3	Met
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Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Staff # 4	Met
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Date of Hire: 06/05/2013

Staff # 5	Met
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Staff # 6	Met
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Staff # 7	Met
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Date of Hire: 01/25/2017

**Records Reviewed: 25****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2021	
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 08/11/2015	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 09/01/2021	
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 10/03/2016	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 09/01/2021	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 03/15/2013	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 12/28/2015	
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 03/17/2014	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 02/08/2016	
Staff # 23	Met
Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 01/01/2020	
Staff # 25	Met

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7**

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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-.31 Staff(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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<b>591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.