

# 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: 4/17/2023 VisitType: Complaint Investigation & Arrival: 2:00 PM Departure: 5:30 PM

Monitoring Visit

CCLC-1478 Region Consultant

**Childcare Network #30** 

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Compliance Zone Designation				
04/17/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
03/03/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
11/14/2022	POI Follow Up	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.

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 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.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	1st left Pre-K 2		0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	
Main	1st Right 3 Yrs		0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Left Pre-K	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	19	NC	26	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	2nd Right 1 year	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	13	С	13	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	3rd Right		0	0	С	14	С	NA	NA	
Main	Middle Infant Rm		0	0	С	13	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	108		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Ch	nildren this Date: 32	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	108		Total C	Capacity @:	25 sq.			

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Large Playground	62	С
Main	Right Playgorund	23	С

## Comments

Consultant conducted an onsite monitoring visit on April 18, 2023.

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.

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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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA 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)





#### **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 <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

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## **Activities and Equipment**

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

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

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591-1-1-.26(6) - Please do not allow toddlers to play on school age playground equipment.

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Correction Deadline: 4/28/2023

**Health and Hygiene** 

#### 591-1-1.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/3/2023

#### Corrected on 4/18/2023

.17(8) - This citation was corrected on this date. Proper hand washing was observed.

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

N/A

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

## **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

### 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

#### 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)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.32(4) requires that children under three years old be housed in separate physical areas from older children and cannot be mixed with older children except at specified times and circumstances. It was determined based on observation that there was a two-year-old child with older children during afternoon outdoor play.

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**POI (Plan of Improvement)**The Center will maintain separation of these children under three years old.

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

Met

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A supervision plan was created with the director on this date.

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