

# 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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#### **Cover Sheet**

Date: 6/16/2022 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 10:30 AM Departure: 11:35 AM

CCLC-35599 Region

Deficient

#### Childcare Network #217

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Quality Rated: \*



Compliance Zone Designation				
06/16/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
10/06/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
06/16/2021	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

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	2 Yr. Old Room (Right Back)	Two Year Olds	1	2	С	19	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	3 yr. old Right Front	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	С	19	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Front Middle Left 1-A	One Year Olds	2	8	С	13	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Front Middle left 1-B		0	0	С	10	С	NA	NA	
Main	Infant Room (Front Left)	Infants	2	5	С	11	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding
Main	Pre K 1	Six Year Olds and Over	3	17	С	20	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Field Trip
Main	Pre K 2		0	0	С	20	С	NA	NA	
Main	Pre K 3	Six Year Olds and Over	1	5	С	20	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Stage and Adjacent Area		0	0	С	26	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	58		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.		@35 capa Limitation	city limited by Fire
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 50	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	58		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

Playground Playground

Building	Playground	Occupancy	Compliance
Main	Playground 1	13	С
Main	Playground 2	69	С
Main	Playground 3	32	С
Main	Playground 4	43	С

#### Comments

An in person licensing study visit was conducted on June 16, 2022 with the director.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/16/2022

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





# 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!

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 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)

Latoya Boney, Program Official	Date	Debrik Perry, Consultant	Date		



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## **Findings Report**

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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

Director stated that there are no swimming activities at this time. Director stated that the students do participate in a sprinkle water related activity. Consultant discussed the supervision and water related rules with the director, on this date.

# Children's Records

# Records Reviewed: 5 Child # 1 Child # 2 Child # 3 Met Child # 4 Child # 4 Child # 5 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Met Met Met Met Met

# 591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

#### Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facility** 591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met Comment Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained. 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) **Technical Assistance Technical Assistance** Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that the tree limbs and pine cones are removed from the toddler's playground. Consultant further discussed and advised the director to treat the active ant bed on the toddler's playground. Correction Deadline: 6/16/2022 **Food Service** 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition Met Comment Center menu meets USDA guidelines. Met 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations Comment Kitchen appears clean and well organized. **Health and Hygiene** 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) Met Comment Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures. 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) Met Comment Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands. 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) Met Comment The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication. **Policies and Procedures** 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures Met

Program observed complete emergency drills

Comment

591-1-1-,27 Posted Notices Met

#### Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

#### Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

#### Comment

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

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) Met

#### Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

#### Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

#### 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** 

# Records Reviewed: 18 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 04/29/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 07/27/2017

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 05/30/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 04/04/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Records Reviewed: 18	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2013	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/04/2002	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 06/18/2021	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 10/05/2021	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 05/09/2022	Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 03/26/2021	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 03/01/2001	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 04/04/2016	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 04/25/2022	Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 10/17/1995	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 03/31/2022	Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 10/11/2021	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 11/04/2021	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 12/28/2020	
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4	

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

#### Comment

Director provided files for eight employees hired since last visit on October 6, 2021.

# 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

#### Comment

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

#### 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

#### Finding

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each Staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development. It was determined based on a review of files that staff #1 did not complete the health and safety training.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

#### Correction Deadline: 7/16/2022

#### **Finding**

91-1-1-.33(5) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules. It was determined based on a review of files that staff #13 and staff #14 did not complete the 10 hours of ongoing training for 2021.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

#### Correction Deadline: 7/16/2022

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

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Staffing and Supervision** 

591-1-132 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)	Met
Comment Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.	
591-1-132 Supervision(CR)	Met

# Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.