

## 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:** 5/2/2023 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 2:25 PM Departure: 4:30 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation				
05/02/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
11/21/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
06/16/2022	Complaint Closure	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.

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting Support 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.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	Room A	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	28	С	39	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Room B	One Year Olds	1	6	С	11	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Sn ack
Main	Room C	Infants	1	4	С	10	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Floor Play
Main	Room D	Two Year Olds	1	7	С	14	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Room E	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	18	С	18	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Room F		0	0	С	18	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	110		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 63	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	110		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @	25 sq.			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A-left side	38	C

May 2, 2023--The visit was complete on this date. Transportation was observed. The findings were discussed with the Director on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/02/2023

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!

Jimmie Wilson, Program Official	Date	Penny Svenson, 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)

Not Met

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.12(1) requires each Employee and child in attendance to use all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use. All equipment and furniture shall be used only by the ageappropriate group of children. It was determined based on observation that two infants were observed to sit in high chairs and were not buckled with the strap and the equipment was not used in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use

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

The Center will ensure Staff are trained in and children are taught the proper use of all furniture, materials and equipment: will implement a plan for this information to be reviewed with both groups on an ongoing basis; and for monitoring proper and age-appropriate usage.

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Correction Deadline: 5/2/2023

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

Met

## Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Evening Care** 

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

Met

#### Comment

No evening care hours provided

Facility 1

## 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)

Met

#### Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the new infant staff member on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

## Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection were observed during the visit.

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

**Not Met** 

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center. It was determined based on a review of records that the driver did not document in writing with a check or other mark/symbol for five children for the route conducted in the morning for the bus run for Wesley Heights. Further, the driver did not document in writing with a check or other mark/symbol for six children for the route conducted in the afternoon for the bus run for Wesley Heights.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

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## Correction Deadline: 5/3/2023

**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** 

## 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(2) requires the Center maintain Staff:child ratios in mixed-age groups based on the age of the youngest group of children that includes more than twenty percent of the total number of children in the mixed-age group. It was determined based on observation that there were 11 three-year-old children, six four-year-old children, and one five-year-old child to one staff member in Room E and another staff member was required to meet the three-year-old ratio of 1:15.

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

The Center will provide adequate staff when there is a mixed-age group.

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

Met

#### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.