

## 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:** 8/15/2023 VisitType: Complaint Investigation & Arrival: 8:20 AM Departure: 4:30 PM

Monitoring Visit

**Regional Consultant** CCLC-30341

## **Primrose School of Lawrenceville North**

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Quality Rated: >



			<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				
08/15/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	standing, suppor	t, and deficient.  - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting			
05/02/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		<ul> <li>the rules.</li> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.</li> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting</li> </ul>			
05/02/2023	Complaint Closure			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	2R- Two's	Two Year Olds	1	8	С	18	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Free Play
Main	1L Infant/Toddler	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	С	10	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	1R-Toddlers		0	0	С	12	С	NA	NA	
Main	2L Infants		0	0	С	11	С	NA	NA	
Main	3L Pre-k		0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	
Main	3R- Three's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	5	С	21	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	4L PRV Pre-K	GA PreK	2	16	С	20	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	4R- Three's	Two Year Olds	2	9	С	20	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	5L A/S		0	0	С	18	С	25	С	Lunch
Main	5R Kinder/1st grade		0	0	С	14	С	20	С	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 165			Total Capacity @25 sq.					

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Total # Children this Date: 41 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 165 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 165

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	2nd Left PG	39	С
Main	Left Front	21	С
Main	Right Front	29	С

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#### Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and to follow up from the previous visit conducted on May 2, 2023.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/15/2023

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.

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

# **Activities and Equipment**

591-1-1-.03 Activities Met

Correction Deadline: 5/2/2023

**Corrected on 8/15/2023** 

.03(9) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed no potentially harmful activities.

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)

**Not Evaluated** 

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility|

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

**Technical Assistance** 

591-1-1-.25(17) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that there are no thorny plants on the playground.

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Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

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

**Not Evaluated** 

#### Comment

Playground not observed on this date due to the playground undergoing maintenance during the visit. Per the provider, the children have not been using the playground recently due to the weather.

## **Health and Hygiene**

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.10(3) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that diapered children are changed in their crib or on a diaper changing surface that is used for no purposes other than changing, as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

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

**Not Met** 

#### Finding

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation that a child's hands were not washed upon arrival in classroom 2R.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on required handwashing for children and Staff will ensure children's hands are washed when required. The Director will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

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

**Not Evaluated** 

#### 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)

**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 review of records that the unloading of children was not documented on August 10, 2023, on afternoon transportation routes to Woodward Mill Elementary School and Dyer Elementary.

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## **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.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

Recited on 8/15/2023

Correction Deadline: 5/3/2023

#### **Corrected on 8/15/2023**

.36(7)(d)1. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed that staff documented completing a first check of the vehicle after school transportation routes.

Correction Deadline: 5/2/2023

#### **Corrected on 8/15/2023**

.36(7)(d)2. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant observed documentation that a second check of the vehicle was documented by staff after school transportation routes.

## **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff stated knowledge of safe sleep practices.

**Staff Records** 

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

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Director provided seven files for employees hired since last visit May 2, 2023.

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on review of records that staff #14's, date of hire unknown, criminal background check had expired on May 21, 2023. Staff # 14 was observed working in classroom 1L and in the kitchen. The staff member was registered to get a new background check and left to get fingerprinted.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

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Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(I)3. requires the Center to immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for a Director, Employee or Provisional Employee at least once every five years. It was determined based on review of records that staff member #14's, date of hire May 9, 2018, criminal background check had expired on May 21, 2023. Staff member #14 was observed working classroom 1L and in the kitchen. Staff member #14 was registered to get a new criminal background check and left to get a new background check.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will to ensure that each Director, Employee and Provisional Employee has a Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file that has been issued within the past five years. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will ensure CRC rules are maintained.

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

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#### 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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.