



**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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**Date:** 2/20/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 1:15 PM

**CCLC-35605**

**Childcare Network #223**

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Same

**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.  <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.
02/20/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/07/2022	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
09/28/2022	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	

**Ratios/License Capacity**

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Back	Back room	Six Year Olds and Over	1	10	C	26	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Back	Front Left	Three Year Olds	1	6	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Back	Front Right	Three Year Olds	2	4	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 66			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	1st Left	Infants	1	4	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	1st Right	GA PreK	1	2	C	29	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Back Left	One Year Olds	1	4	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Back right - Back		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	Back right - Front	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	9	C	11	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 75			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 39			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 141			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infants	47	C
Main	Preschool	144	C
Main	Toddler	21	C

### Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring visit.

Transportation and new staff files were available for the consultant to review.

An exit conference discussing the Monitoring visit report was conducted with the director on this date. Consultant emailed a signed copy of the monitoring report to the director on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/20/2023

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, <http://www.dec.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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

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](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.

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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 [qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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Denise Grendell, Program Official

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)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

**Facility**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center on this date.

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

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the two bathrooms in the Left Classroom in the back building had a plunger sitting beside the toilet and the two bathrooms in the Right Classroom in the back building had a plunger and toilet brush sitting beside the toilet.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

**Correction Deadline: 2/20/2023**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(7) requires that doors to rooms not approved for child care, other than the kitchen doors, be latched or locked so children cannot wander into those areas. Except in School-age Centers, interior Center door locks shall permit Personnel to open the locked room from outside of the room in an emergency. It was determined based on observation, that the two storage closets in the First Left Classroom in the back building was observed to be unlocked making cleaning supplies and a staff member's purse accessible to the children.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will routinely check that doors to unapproved rooms remain latched or locked and that Staff can open the locked rooms in an emergency.

**Correction Deadline: 2/20/2023**

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

Consultant and Director discussed faded roots need repainting to ensure children do not trip over them.

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**Health and Hygiene**

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**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health****Met**

**Correction Deadline: 10/7/2022**

**Corrected on 2/20/2023**

**.07(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Director stated that parents are notified immediately when an incident occurs.**

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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed in the Back Left One-Year-Old Classroom  
Infant teacher in the Front Left Infant Classroom stated the proper procedures for diapering.

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**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.20 - Consultant and Director discussed proper medication documentation and procedures. Ensure when child missed a dosage of medication, a reason is listed on the medication form.

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**Safety**

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**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion was observed while the three-year-old children were playing outside.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

## 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)** **Met**

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

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