



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/31/2018 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 3:15 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
01/31/2018	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/29/2017	Initial 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 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.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	1L - Room B - Preschool		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main	1R - Room A - Preschool		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	2L - Room D - Toddler 2		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	2R - Room C - Preschool		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	3L - Room F - Toddler 2		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main	3R - Room E - Preschool		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 57

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 0

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - Preschool - School - Age	30	C
Main	Playground B - Toddler 2 - Preschool	17	C

Comments

1-31-18 - The Child Care Learning Center program received Permission to Operate and Final License on this date, per completion of Consultant follow-up. The Center was Licensed this date, to serve children ages two-years to School-Age. No children were present or enrolled in the Center on the date of the visit. The total Licensed capacity of the Center, measured at 57 children, based on Consultant measurement of six (6) of six (6) classrooms, Licensed this date.

Additionally, the Center Director was not present at the Center during the exit conference. The Center Director designated a Center representative to review, sign and date the visit report with the Consultant. on - site at the Center. Further, during the exit conference, the Center Director was contacted by the Center representative via phone. Consultant reviewed the visit report with the Center representative on - site, and the Center Director, present via phone.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/31/2018

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).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.dec.al.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.al.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.al.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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 New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov

Christopher Evans, Program Official

Date

Iko Blackmon, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

On this date, Consultant observed equipment, furniture and toys throughout the Center, to be non - hazardous, fully - secured, and not able to cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, the Center Director/Administrator stated that the program will not participate in Swimming/water activities, in water measuring two (2) feet in depth or greater. Consultant discussed Swimming/water requirements with Center Director/Administrator, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to Center Director/Administrator that prior to participating in Swimming/water activities, in any type of equipment holding water two (2) feet in depth or greater, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review Swimming/water activity Rules.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

The total Licensed capacity of the Center, measured at 57 children, based on Consultant measurement of six (6) of six (6) classrooms, Licensed this date.

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

Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2018

Corrected on 1/31/2018

.26(6) - Previous citation observed corrected. On this date, Consultant observed the tunnel located on Playground A, to be appropriately covered at the entry/exit areas, and to prevent children's access to the inside of the equipment. Consultant also observed the footings/anchoring of the hill - slides located on Playground A, to be covered as required. Further, Consultant observed the bolts to be cut as required and covered to prevent children's access. Consultant also observed the water equipment located on Playground A and Playground B to have all loose rocks removed, and a fully attached, non-removable cover and enclosure on top of the equipment. Additionally, Consultant observed all drainage areas/containers to be removed from the water equipment, to prevent standing water.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2018

Corrected on 1/31/2018

.26(9) - Previous citation corrected. On this date, Consultant observed all excessive leaves and gravel to be removed from Playground A and Playground B.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

No children were present or enrolled on this date. Consultant observed Diapering areas to meet requirements and discussed Diapering requirements with Center Director, prior to the visit and on this date.

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

Met

Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the Director, prior to the visit and on this date.

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

Met

Comment

No children were enrolled on the date of the visit. Consultant discussed proper medication documentation and administration procedures with Director, prior to the visit and on this date.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Consultant reviewed the center's discipline policy, and discussed regulations regarding proper discipline with the Center Director, prior to the visit and on this date.

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

Met

Comment

No children were enrolled in the program on this date. The Center Director/Administrator stated that upon receiving Permission to Operate and Final License, the Center will possibly conduct off - site and walking field trips at a future time. Consultant discussed all field trip requirements with Center Director and Administrator, prior to the visit and on this date; regarding two (2) hour Transportation Training for Center Director and all Staff participating in any aspect of field trips, CPR - First - Aid, proper field trip documentation, regulations regarding walking field trips, checklists, name tags and parental permission forms.

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

The Center Director and Administrator stated that the Center will not provide routine Transportation at this time. Consultant discussed with Center Director and Administrator, all requirements needed in order to transport children. Consultant also stated to Center Director and Administrator, that prior to providing Transportation, the Center is required to complete and maintain documentation of current CPR and First - Aid Training, as well as two (2) clock hours of Transportation Training, regarding the Center Director and all Center Staff participating in any aspect of Transportation. Further, Consultant stated to Center Director and Administrator, that prior to providing Transportation, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review all Transportation requirements.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

The Child Care Learning Center program received Permission to Operate and Final License this date, with approval to serve children ages two - years through School - Age. As such, the Center will not enroll Infants. Consultant observed a pleasant nap time environment, as well as the correct number and condition of mats. Consultant also discussed cot and mat disinfecting requirements with Center Director and Administrator, prior to the visit and on this date.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Met****Comment**

On this date, Consultant observed a Satisfactory COGENT Criminal Records Check Determination letter, regarding three (3) of three (3) Center Employees. Consultant also discussed all COGENT Criminal Records Check requirements with Center Director and Administrator, prior to the visit and on this date.

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

On this date, Consultant observed Staff qualifications to meet requirements. Consultant also discussed with Center Director/Administrator that all Lead Staff must enroll in an approved education program within six (6) months of Licensing/employee hire date, and complete the program within 18 months of Licensing/employee hire date.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Met****Comment**

There were no children enrolled on this date. Consultant discussed proper ratios and classroom capacities with the Center Director and Administrator, prior to the visit and on this date.

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

On this date, Consultant obtained a signed and dated written Supervision Plan from the Center, regarding route to Playground, Playground equipment, diapering and potty - trained only classrooms, areas of classrooms not within direct line of sight, bathrooms and hand washing.

Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Consultant discussed proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, with the Center Director and Administrator, prior to the visit and on this date.