



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 3/29/2017    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 10:10 AM    **Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-38249**

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<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.
03/29/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/13/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/20/2016	Monitoring Visit	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
Building 2	Pre-K		0	0	NC	25	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	A- Back Right	Infants	1	1	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B- Back Left	Three Year Olds	1	5	C	9	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	C- Front Left		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 33			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 6		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 58		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0						

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	90	C

**Comments**

Requested all staff files on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/29/2017

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).



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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), e-mail the following information to [CCSRefutations@decga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@decga.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://decga.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)

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Leah Klatzker, Consultant

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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-.03 Activities**

**Technical Assistance**

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Discussed lesson plans on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure to follow your posted schedule.

**Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

**Facility**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observation-Center Clean/Well Maintained

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

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that the gate leading to the parking lot on the right-side of the playground was no longer attached at the top hinges.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

**Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017**

**Correction Deadline: 10/23/2016**

**Corrected on 3/29/2017**

**.26(7) - Observed an appropriate amount of resilient surfacing on this date.**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(8) requires the playground to be kept clean, free of litter and hazards. It was determined based on observation that several active ant hills were observed on the right-side of the back of the playground on this date.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the playground, the center will ensure that the playground is free from ant hills.

**Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017**

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

**Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

**Comment**

Per director, no medication is being dispensed at the center.

**Safety**

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

**Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

**Comment**

No Field Trips at This Time

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

**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Comment**

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

## Staff Records

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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 10/13/2016****Corrected on 3/29/2017****.09(1)(k) - Requested all staff files on this date. Observed four of four staff to have thier fingerprints on this date.**

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.33(5) requires ten clock hours of annual training for supervisory and caregiver Staff, except for independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers, in the subjects of early childhood education, child development or subjects related to the position. It was determined based on a review of records that not all staff have completed training for the registration year 2016.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

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

**Correction Deadline: 4/28/2017**

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## Staffing and Supervision

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

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times. Children were not supervised in that it was determined based on observation that there was no staff watching the two and three-year-old children and the door was closed on this date. Further, the staff member in the infant room had to leave an infant unattended on several occasions to get the door and go up to the office. Further, children were left unsupervised in classroom C while staff had to go into the kitchen, attached to this room, to prepare lunch.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will provide training to staff and monitor to ensure that children are supervised at all times.

**Correction Deadline: 3/29/2017****Recited on 3/29/2017**