



**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:** 4/24/2018    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 9:20 AM    **Departure:** 12:50 PM

**CCLC-30911**

**AppleGate Academy & Preschool (Jonesboro)**

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**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.
04/24/2018	Monitoring Visit	Support	
11/07/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/08/2017	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	

**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	Rm A: 1st Left	Six Year Olds and Over	1	5	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm B: 1st Right	Infants	2	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Diapering
Main	Rm C: 2nd Right	One Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Rm D: 2nd Right (inside Rm C)	One Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Rm E: 3rd Right	Two Year Olds	2	19	NC	18	NC	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm F: 4th Right	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm G: 2nd Left	Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	21	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	Rm H: 3rd Left	Two Year Olds	1	13	NC	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm I: 5th Right	Three Year Olds	2	20	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Rm J: 4th Left	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	20	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm K: 6th Right	PreK	2	21	C	20	NC	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Rm L: 5th Left	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	22	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play
					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 203	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 160					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 203	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A (4+ Years)	33	C
Main	B (3+ Years)	74	C
Main	C (Infants/Toddlers)	42	C





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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-.03 Activities** **Met**

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2017**

**Corrected on 4/24/2018**  
**.03(2) - Previous citation observed corrected.**

**591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)** **Not Met**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.12(1) - Please ensure to reapply the tape on the chairs and reapply contact paper on table in reading area located in classroom K. Be mindful of the peeling false leather materials on the chairs in classroom L and I.

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**Correction Deadline: 4/24/2018**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on consultants observation that the table/bench was cracked exposing sharp rough edges.

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**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2017**

**Corrected on 4/24/2018**  
**.25(3) -**

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(4) - Please ensure that you adjust the fence on the middle playground in the far back left.

**Correction Deadline: 4/24/2018**

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.17(7) - It was discussed ensuring warm running water is available for staff and children hand washing in all classrooms throughout the day.

**Correction Deadline: 4/24/2018**

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

**N/A**

**Comment**

Per the director, the facility does not dispense medication.

**Safety**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

**Comment**

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 11/17/2017**

**Corrected on 4/24/2018**

**.36(3)(a-b) - All required staff recieved transportation training.**

**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**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Director provided 1 file(s) for employees hired since last visit. Criminal record check observed.

**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 12/7/2017**

**Corrected on 4/24/2018**

**.14(1) - Fifty percent of the center's staff have first aid and CPR of file.**

**Correction Deadline: 11/7/2017**

**Corrected on 4/24/2018**

**.14(1)(a) - All drivers have first aid and CPR on file.**

**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.33(6) requires, in the first year of employment and then by calendar year thereafter, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers to attend ten (10) clock hours of training which is task-focused in early childhood education or child development or subjects relating to job assignment and is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. It was determined based on observation of staff files that some staff did not complete ten hours of annual training for 2017.

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**Correction Deadline: 12/31/2018**

**Recited on 4/24/2018**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Staff in compliance with all applicable laws and rules.

**Correction Deadline: 4/24/2018**

**Staffing and Supervision**

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**Finding**

591-1-1-.32(1) requires the Center to maintain the required Staff:child ratios as follows: under 1 year or under 18 months if not walking = 1:6; 1 year and walking = 1:8; 2 years = 1:10; 3 years = 1:15; 4 years = 1:18; 5 years = 1:20;and 6 years and older = 1:25. A Center must establish groupings of children for care with maximum group sizes as follows: under 1 year = 12; under 18 months/not walking = 12; 1 year and walking = 16; 2 years = 20; 3 years = 30; 4 years = 36; 5 years = 40; and 6 years and older = 50. It was determined based on observation that one classroom was out of ratio. Room H had a ratio of 1:13 two-year-olds, when a ratio of 2:13 was required.

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**Correction Deadline: 4/24/2018**

**Comment**

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