



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 7/11/2017    **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 9:45 AM    **Departure:** 3:30 PM

**CCLC-47527**

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
07/11/2017	Initial Licensing Study	NA

**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	Room A Front (PreK)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	3	20	C	23	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Room A-Rear (3s)		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room B Infants (middle)	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	19	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Diapering
Main	Room C (Back Left)		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room D L1 (preschool)		0	0	C	24	C	NA	NA	
					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 94	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 26			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 94			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant/ Toddler Playground	19	C
Main	Right Playground	30	C

**Comments**

The purpose of this visit was to conduct the Initial Licensing Study visit. Permission to operate was not granted on this date due to medium citation. A temporary license will be granted on this date.

The center does not carry liability insurance.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/11/2017

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@dec.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.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.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)

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Terrell Griffin, Program Official

Date

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Shyreeta Hicks, 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**

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

#### Children's Records

**591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Records Complete/Well Organized

#### Facility

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation the following hazards were observed on the playgrounds.

Playground A: Rust and chipping paint on the blue climber near the back of the playground.

Playground B: A seven inch gap was observed at the bottom back of the shade structure. English ivy was observed growing near the back of the fence.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

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

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<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper Diapering

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

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures

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<b>Safety</b>
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**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

Observed-Complete Documentation

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

Paperwork discussed

**Comment**

Vehicle had fire extinguisher and first aid kit

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<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Not Met****Comment**

Correct number of mats; disinfecting discussed

**Comment**

Ensure Cribs/Cots Labeled

**Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a) requires a crib that is safety approved in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards be provided for each infant. It was determined based on observation one of eight cribs was determined to be not in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission. The crib was not currently in use on this date.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will provide a crib that is safety approved in compliance with CPSC and ASTM safety standards for each infant. The center removed the crib on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 7/21/2017**

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

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

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

**Comment**

Reminder-Replace/Add Item

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

Reminder - Orientation Documented/Signed

**Comment**

Health/Safety training reminder

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

Lead staff education requirements discussed on this date.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.32(2) requires the Center maintain Staff:child ratios in mixed-age groups based on the age of the youngest group of children that includes more than twenty percent of the total number of children in the mixed-age group. It was determined based on observation, children from Classroom C were observed to enter the building through Classroom A. On this date, all children enter the building through Classroom A.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure that children two years and under do not cross spaces that house children three years and older. Staff will ensure that children are adequately supervised.

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

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

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff

**Comment**

Supervision Plan was created on this date. The children from Classroom B will use the bathroom in Classroom A. The center will ensure that staff child ratios are always met and children are properly supervised.