



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 8/2/2017      **VisitType:** Licensing Study      **Arrival:** 9:40 AM      **Departure:** 1:30 PM

**CCLC-27438**

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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.
08/02/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/30/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/15/2016	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
Main	A-1		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	B-2		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	C-3		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	D-4		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	E-5		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	F-6		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	G-7		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	H-8		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	I-9		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	J-10		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	K-11		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	L-12		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	M-13		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	N-14		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 238		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			
Total # Children this Date: 0					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 238		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PGD A	118	C
Main	PGD B	261	C
Main	PGD C	26	C

### Comments

Consultant conducted Licensing Study before the start of school. Children's files will be reviewed during next Monitoring Visit. Comprehensive Background check must be completed by October 1, 2017.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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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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](mailto: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)

Elaine Spears, Program Official

Date

Kati Cosby, 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-.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**

Consultant will review children's files during next visit.

### Facility

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

**Defer**

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591-1-1-.19(1)- No children were present for care on this date. Consultant will observe License Capacity during next visit.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

**Correction Deadline: 1/30/2017**

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 1/30/2017**

**Corrected on 8/2/2017**

**.25(13) - Previous citation was corrected in that no hazards were observed on this date.**

**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 two gates separating Playgrounds A and B from Playground C had fencing that was not appropriately attached in that the chain link fencing was not attached to the metal gate pole posing an entrapment hazard.

**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: 8/16/2017**

**Correction Deadline: 2/9/2017**

**Corrected on 8/2/2017**

**.26(7) - Previous citation corrected in that Consultant observed appropriate amount of resilient surface.**

**Correction Deadline: 2/13/2017**

**Corrected on 8/2/2017**

**.26(8) -**

**Finding**

Previously Cited: 591-1-1-.26(8) requires the playground to be kept clean, free of litter and hazards. It was determined several active any beds were observed in the back outdoor play area.,591-1-1-.26(8) requires the playground to be kept clean, free of litter and hazards. It was determined based on consultants observation that the following hazards were observed in the outdoor play area.

Playground A

-a broken table umbrella was observed next to the play area

Playground B

-2 bolts were missing from the top of the play structure next to the slide.

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 that a broken table umbrella was observed next to the small play area outside of classroom A-1.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Previously Cited: To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the playground, the center will continue to check the playground daily prior to children going outside.

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: 8/2/2017**

**Recited on 8/2/2017**

**Health and Hygiene**

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<b>591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas &amp; Practices(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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<b>591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

No children present - hand washing discussed

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<b>591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures

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

No children present - discipline discussed

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<b>591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

	<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Correct number of mats; disinfecting discussed

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

Criminal Records Check complete

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<b>591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Lead staff education requirements

	<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

No children present; proper ratios discussed

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<b>591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

No children present; proper supervision discussed