

# 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: 8/2/2018 VisitType: Complaint Investigation Arrival: 12:20 PM Departure: 3:20 PM

Follow Up

CCLC-17960

**Smarter Kids Child Care Learning Center** 

945 Windy Hill Rd. Smyrna, GA 30080 Cobb County (770) 419-4929 smarterkids@bellsouth.net

Mailing Address

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**Quality Rated: No** 

## **Regional Consultant**

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Com	pliance Zone Desig	<u>nation</u>	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						
08/02/2018	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	standing, support, and deficient.  Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting						
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07/25/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	Support -	the rules.  Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting					
07/12/2018	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Deficient -	rules.  - 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	A-1R	Infants	2	6	С	12	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B-2R	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	27	С	40	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-3R	Four Year Olds	2	16	С	37	С	52	С	Nap
Main	D-4R		0	0	С	20	С	NA	NA	
Main	E -Lower right		0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	
Main	F-Lower Middle	Three Year Olds	1	15	С	48	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G-Lower Left		0	0	С	31	С	NA	NA	
	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 209			Total Capacity @25 sq.			· · · · · ·			

ft.: 224

Total # Children this Date: 64 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 209 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 224

BuildingPlayground<br/>OccupancyPlayground<br/>ComplianceMainPlayground66C

### Comments

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit.

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).



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

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://qbi.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@decal.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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

**Activities and Equipment** 

591-1-1-.03 Activities Met

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2018

Corrected on 8/2/2018

.03(9) - This citation has been corrected.

**Facility** 

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2018

Corrected on 8/2/2018

.25(13) - No hazards were observed on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

**Technical Assistance** 

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591-1-1-.32 - Discussed naptime ratios.