



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 1/17/2019 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:05 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

**CCLC-1109**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<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.
01/17/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/30/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/30/2018	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	1L-Little Lambs	Infants	2	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play,Diapering
Main	A-1R Purp.Ducks	One Year Olds	2	12	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B-2L Busy Bees	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C-3L Doodle Bugs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	15	C	21	C	Centers
Main	D-4L Blue Bears	PreK	2	20	C	20	C	28	C	Outside
Main	E-5L Purp.Iguanas	PreK	2	20	C	25	C	35	C	Free Play
Main	F-7R Whiz Kids		0	0	C	20	C	28	C	
Main	G-6R Pink Panthers	PreK	2	19	C	25	C	34	C	Free Play
Main	H-5R Little Sailors	PreK	2	20	C	19	NC	27	C	Free Play
Main	I-4R Little Rainbow	Three Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	20	C	Free Play
Main	J-3R Noah's Kids	Four Year Olds	1	13	C	17	C	24	C	Free Play
Main	K-2R Itsy Bitsy	Two Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Story

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 222

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 283

Total # Children this Date: 167

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	C-Back Right	167	C
Main	D-Front Right	51	C

### Comments

Consultant observed one employee to have a National CRC while waiting for results. Employee was supervised by a Comprehensive CRC.  
(Consultant observation)

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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.aspx>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

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.state.ga.us](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us).

- 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.state.ga.us/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)



### Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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Patty Whitehead, Program Official

Date

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Maranda Powell, 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**

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

### Children's Records

**Records Reviewed: 5**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

### Facility

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<b>591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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<b>591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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<b>591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)</b>	<b>Not Met</b>
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**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that 1 inch of resilient surfacing was observed under the slide on playground D.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

**Correction Deadline: 1/31/2019**

	<b>Food Service</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.15 Food Service &amp; Nutrition</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

	<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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**Comment**

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

**Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 40****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/14/2018	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 02/20/2017	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/07/2006	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/13/2018	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 09/05/2001	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/06/2016	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 10/31/2018	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2016	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2016	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 12/28/2018	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 05/02/2018	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 03/05/2018	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 01/26/2018	

Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 09/14/2018	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 10/02/2000	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 07/31/2017	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 06/27/3016	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 01/04/2017	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 03/10/2017	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 10/22/2018	
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 08/20/2008	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 07/23/2014	
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 08/25/2005	
Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 08/20/2018	
Staff # 25	Met
Date of Hire: 11/26/2002	
Staff # 26	Met
Date of Hire: 01/03/2019	
Staff # 27	Met
Date of Hire: 08/18/2017	
Staff # 28	Met
Staff # 29	Met

**Records Reviewed: 40****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Date of Hire: 10/02/2000

Staff # 30

Met

Date of Hire: 08/02/2017

Staff # 31

Met

Date of Hire: 10/01/2000

Staff # 32

Met

Date of Hire: 02/19/2007

Staff # 33

Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2018

Staff # 34

Met

Date of Hire: 11/19/2018

Staff # 35

Met

Date of Hire: 04/02/2018

Staff # 36

Met

Date of Hire: 08/12/2003

Staff # 37

Met

Date of Hire: 10/29/2018

Staff # 38

Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2009

Staff # 39

Met

Date of Hire: 01/22/2018

Staff # 40

Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2016

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 40**

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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Director provided nine file(s) for employees hired since last visit. Consultant verified all background checks in outback.

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

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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



**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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

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

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

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