



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 9/12/2019 **VisitType:** Follow-Up

**Arrival:** 11:45 AM

**Departure:** 2:40 PM

**CCLC-1237**

**Children's Learning Center**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
09/12/2019	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing
08/05/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing
07/25/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing

**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	A 1L		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	B 2L/3L	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	5	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C Entrance		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	
Main	D 1R	Three Year Olds	1	5	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E 2nd Section Entrance		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	
Main	F Right Hall 1R	PreK	2	17	C	18	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	G Rear R		0	0	C	27	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 94						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 27			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 94			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG B-No Measurements	0	C
Main	PG Left	10	C

**Comments**

September 12, 2019 - The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Complaint Investigation and follow up from previous visit conducted on July 25, 2019. Investigative findings were not concluded on this date.

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.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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.

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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.

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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.ga.gov/>  
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.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.ga.gov)

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Robert Creech, Program Official

Date

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Leslie Pettis, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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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: 7/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.03(7)(a) - Previous citation corrected in that the children were not scheduled to go outside during the time of the visit. Also, the temperature outside was currently 97 degrees.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.35(6) - Previous citation corrected in that the center did not have any scheduled swimming activities on this date.

### Children's Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.08(1) - Previous citation corrected in that the two identified children had separate enrollment forms on this date.

### Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.25(13) - Previous citation corrected in that the vacuum and carpet cleaner were no longer located in the center on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.25(17) - Citation corrected in that there was no citation listed.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.26(9) - Previous citation corrected in that the center did not have any spider webs present on the playground on this date.

**Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.17(7) - Previous citation corrected in that the staff member was observed changing a child's diaper and washed the child's and staff's hands on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.17(8) - Previous citation corrected in that the staff member was observed changing a child's diaper and washed the child's and staff's hands on this date.

**Safety**

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.13(7) - Previous citation corrected in that the center had the center's name, address and telephone number listed on the field trip shirts that the children wore on field trips.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/25/2019

Corrected on 9/12/2019

.36(4)(b) - Previous citation corrected in that the large tears have been taped. Director reported that new seats have been ordered.

**Staff Records**

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Staff # 2

Met

Staff # 3

Met

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4**

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 6/25/2019**

**Corrected on 9/12/2019**

**.09(1)(c) - Previous citation corrected in that there have been no new hires since the last visit. All employees had a comprehensive background check on this date.**

**Staffing and Supervision**

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 7/25/2019**

**Corrected on 9/12/2019**

**.32(7) - Previous citation corrected in that adequate supervision was provided on this date.**