

# 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: 8/14/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 9:40 AM Departure: 12:40 PM

CCLC-148

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Quality Rated:

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Comp	Compliance Zone Designation					
08/14/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing				
01/09/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing				
08/30/2018	Monitoring Visit	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

 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 (first right) infants/ones	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	С	30	С	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play,Transitionin g,Outside
Main	B(2nd right) one/twos	Two Year Olds	1	7	С	17	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C(3rd right) twos/threes	Two Year Olds	1	9	С	22	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	D(middle) twos/threes	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	10	С	21	С	NA	NA	Story
Main	E(1st left) threes/fours	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	С	22	С	NA	NA	Story
Main	F (pre-k)	PreK	2	20	С	24	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	G(pre-k)	PreK	2	22	С	27	С	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	63		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 86	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	63		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building Playground Playground Playground Compliance

#### **Comments**

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a Montoring Visit and to follow up from the previous visit on January 1, 2019.

Deficient

The consultant left a one-day letter and an Affidavit for completing Criminal Record Videos on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/14/2019

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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@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).

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:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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#### **Findings Report**

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# The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# **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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Met

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please continue to fluff and redistribute.

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

**Health and Hygiene** 

#### 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Staff stated proper hand washing procedures.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication as of this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Comment

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

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

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment** 

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Met

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: 10 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 07/21/1995

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 07/07/1997

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 07/05/2005

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 12/11/1992

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 12/01/1995

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 01/29/2001

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 06/09/1997

#### Records Reviewed: 10 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 8 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/14/2019

"Missing/Incomplete Components"
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 09/19/1994

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 04/02/2014

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 14

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires that a Center ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on a review of records that one staff present did not submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site prior to being present at the center.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site as required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

#### Correction Deadline: 8/14/2019

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on a review of records and observation that one staff present did not have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center. A one-day letter was left on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2019

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2019

#### Corrected on 8/14/2019

.14(2) - The previous citation has been corrected on this date. The consultant observed the staff member to have current evidence of first aid and CPR certification.

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

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2019

#### Corrected on 8/14/2019

.31(2)(b)2. - The previous citation has been corrected on this date. The consultant observed the staff member to meet the academic requirement as a lead teacher.

## Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

#### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

#### Comment

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