

# 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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Good Standing

Deficient

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Quality Rated:

10/16/2019



Monitoring Visit

Compliance Zone Designation					
03/10/2020	POI Follow Up	Good Standing			
02/12/2020	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

 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	Left Wing- 1L	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	3	8	С	41	С	NA	NA	Free Play,Transitionin g
Main	Left Wing- Back	PreK	3	18	С	51	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Right Wing- 1L		0	0	С	42	С	58	С	
Main	Right Wing- 1R	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	С	14	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play,Nap
Main	Right Wing- 2 L	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	26	С	35	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Na
Main	Right Wing- 2 R		1	0	С	18	С	NA	NA	Nap,Snack
Main	Right Wing- Back Middle	Two Year Olds	2	17	С	22	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	23		Total C ft.: 239	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 77	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	23		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 239

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- A Left Side	85	C
Main	PG- B Center	124	С
Main	PG- C Right	30	С

#### Comments

Please be sure to review the rules and regulations for updates.

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>

inda Russell, Program Official	Date	Dianne Clarke, Consultant	Date



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## **Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

**Activities and Equipment** 

591-1-1-,03 Activities Met

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

**Corrected on 3/10/2020** 

.03(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the current lesson plan was observed to be posted.

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

**Corrected on 3/10/2020** 

.12(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that there was no unsecured furniture observed in the classroom.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2020

Corrected on 3/10/2020

.12(5) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the appropriate furniture was observed. The children's feet were observed to touch the floor and the table was appropriate in the Right Wing-Middle classroom.

Children's Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

Corrected on 3/10/2020

.08(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the information was completed for the children.

**Facility** 

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

Corrected on 3/10/2020

.25(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the vents were observed to be

cleaned.

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

Corrected on 3/10/2020

.25(7) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the closet was observed to be locked.

## **Policies and Procedures**

## 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Not Met

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.21(1)(p) requires the Center to have a written plan for handling emergencies, including but not limited to severe weather, loss of electrical power or water and death, serious injury or loss of a child, a threatening event, or natural disaster which may occur at the Center; to have in place procedures for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, lock-down, communication and reunification with families, and continuity of operations. The plan must apply to all children in care and include specific accommodations for infants and toddlers, children with disabilities, and children with chronic medical conditions and shall include assurance that no Center Personnel will impede in any way the delivery of emergency care or services to a child by licensed or certified emergency health care professionals. It was determined based on observation that the complete emergency plans were not posted.

## **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will write or revise an emergency plan that includes all of the required items.

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2020

Recited on 3/10/2020

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

**Corrected on 3/10/2020** 

.27 - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the consultant observed the posted notice.

Safety

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.36(6) requires written Parental authorization for routine transportation provided by or on behalf of the Center. Written authorization must include the routine pick-up location, routine pick-up time, routine delivery location, routine delivery times and the name of any person authorized to receive the child. It was determined based on a review of records that three children were missing their pick-up and drop-off times.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain the required written parental authorization.

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2020

Recited on 3/10/2020

Correction Deadline: 2/13/2020

## **Corrected on 3/10/2020**

.36(7)(b) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the physician and emergency contact information was completed.

## Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

**Not Met** 

### Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 requires that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate comfortably the size and weight of the child; and that mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick. It was determined based on observation that the mats in the Right Wing- 2L and Right Wing- 2R classrooms were observed to be torn.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate the size and weight of the child and mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and is at least two inches thick. The director stated that the mats will be taped and the ones that need to be replaced will be replaced.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2020

Recited on 3/10/2020

**Staff Records** 

## 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2020

#### Corrected on 3/10/2020

.33(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that there were no staff eligible to have Health and Safety Orientation reviewed.

#### Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)- The correction deadline of March 13, 2020 has not yet passed.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2020