

# 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: 10/2/2018 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 8:55 AM Departure: 12:30 PM

CCLC-1903 Regional Consultant

#### **Medlock Bridge Montessori School**

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**Quality Rated: No** 

Compliance Zone Designation				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				
	10/02/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	standing, support, and deficient.				
	03/29/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	ood Standing - Program is demonstrate the rules.	trating an acceptable level of performance in meeting			
	10/11/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	<ul><li>upport - Program performar rules.</li></ul>	ice is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting			
				eficient - Program is not den the rules.	nonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting			

#### 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: 2L-Yellow	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	13	С	26	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	B: 1R-Blue	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	20	С	28	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C: 2R-Purple	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	18	С	28	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D: 3L-Green	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	14	С	26	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E: 1L-Red	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	12	С	17	С	24	С	Circle Time
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	25		Total C ft.: 132	apacity @	25 sq.			
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Total # Children this Date: 77 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 125 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 132

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A: Small Yard	12	С
Main	B: Concrete Between Yards	4	С
Main	C: Large Yard	197	С

#### Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a licensing study visit and to follow up to the previous visit conducted on March 29, 2018.

Consultant provided contact information on this date with the Director, Melissa Hickey-Wallace. on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/02/2018

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 qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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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

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**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** 

## 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)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on Consultant's observations that the Blue Room had an unlocked closet with hazardous materials and supplies stored accessible to children in accessible to children in care on this date.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 10/2/2018

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

Met

#### Comment

Playground not observed on this date due to renovation. Consultant will observe during next visit.

**Food Service** 

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

#### Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

#### 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

#### Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication at this time.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2018

### Corrected on 10/2/2018

.20(1) - Previous citation corrected. Consultant observed program not administering medication at this time.

## Policies and Procedures

# 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures Met Comment Consultant observed evidence of monthly fire drills conducted as of September 28, 2018 on this date. Correction Deadline: 10/7/2018 **591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices** Met Comment Observed all required posted notices. 591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting Met Comment Discussed reporting requirements. Safety 591-1-1-.05 Animals Met Comment Center does not keep animals on premises.

Comment

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

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

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

Met

Met

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

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: 17	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 05/09/2017	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 05/30/1991	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 05/09/2016	Met

Records Reviewed: 17	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 09/08/2014	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 05/30/2017	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 12/03/2001	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 07/16/2018	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/27/2018	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 05/02/2003	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 05/10/1999	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 11/23/1992	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 12/01/1989	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 08/10/2011	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 08/01/2003	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 05/26/2017	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 07/24/2017	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 07/31/2006	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 17	

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.09(1) - Consultant discussed with the Director the requirements for comprehensive background checks on this date for out-of-state employees.

#### Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit.

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

Met

#### Comment

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles.

#### Comment

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

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

Met

#### Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training for 2017 on this date.

#### Commen

Discussed: Health and Safety Training is required for each staff member with direct care responsibilities within 90 calendar days of their hire date.

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

#### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.