



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/15/2019 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:00 AM

Departure: 2:30 PM

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**HOUSTON ROAD DAY CARE AND LEARNING CENTER,
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Quality Rated: ★ ★

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 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.
10/15/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/21/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/11/2018	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	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	1R		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	2 R	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	2L	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Middle		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	Right Wing Back-Infants	Infants	2	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Feeding
Main	Right Wing Front- 1-2 year olds	One Year Olds	2	13	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Music
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 98						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Two	School Age		0	0	C	62	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 62						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 48			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 160			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground 1	71	C
Main	Playground 2	20	C

Comments

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.al.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.

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.al.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.al.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.

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.al.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.al.ga.gov

Terri Graham Gilstrap, Program Official

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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

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation, one out of four sinks in the afterschool classroom was not in working order or in good repair on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have all equipment and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 10/15/2019

Recited on 10/15/2019

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation the following playground equipment was not free of hazards. On Playground one, rusted "O" hooks were observed on the three multi-colored swing sets.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will repair and replace equipment as needed and check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 10/15/2019**Recited on 10/15/2019**

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**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met****Correction Deadline: 3/26/2019****Corrected on 10/15/2019**

.21(1)(q) - Previous citation corrected on this date consultant observed safe sleep documentation.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Correction Deadline: 3/21/2019

Corrected on 10/15/2019

.30(4) - Previous citation corrected on this date consultant observed children's sheets were stored properly in the second right classroom.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 13**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 01/21/2019	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 10/01/2018	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 11/18/2003	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 01/05/2014	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 05/14/2018	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 06/10/2019	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 08/28/2019	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 05/06/2015	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 11/06/1996	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 07/17/2018	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 01/06/2012	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 11/26/2018	Met
Staff # 13	Met

Records Reviewed: 13

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 08/26/1997

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s).

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.