

# 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: 5/2/2019 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 9:20 AM Departure: 1:35 PM

CCLC-19

#### Childcare Network #21

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Quality Rated:



Compliance Zone Designation						
05/02/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing				
10/29/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing				
10/12/2018	Complaint Closure	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.

Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting

the rules.

Deficient

#### 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	Back Middle(infants)	Infants	2	6	С	10	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play
Main	Front Middle	One Year Olds	1	4	С	10	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Out side
Main	Left Back	One Year Olds	1	8	С	11	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Left center	Two Year Olds	1	9	С	16	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Left Front	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	15	С	18	С	NA	NA	Art
Main	Right Back	PreK	2	20	С	20	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Right Front	Three Year Olds	1	11	С	19	С	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	04		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 73	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	04		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Playground Playground Building Playground Occupancy Compliance

## Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/02/2019

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="mailty-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 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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0		

#### 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)

Met

#### Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26 - Discussed with the director about monitoring tricycles for missing pedals and securing the seats on two tricylces.. The director moved the tricycles until they could be repaired. Discussed adding resilient surface around the yellow parallel bars on the back playground. Also discussed repainting the one blue bench around the tree. The paint on the bench is starting to chip.

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that the resilient surface material in the fall zones on the swings measured between one and two inches however six inches of surface is required.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency. The director stated the center will have additional mulch installed buy the end of the month. The staff will rake the and redistribute the mulch on the playground until the additional mulch is delivered.

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2019

**Food Service** 

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

Met

## Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines. The infant feeding plans were current and available are required.

#### 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

Staff stated 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)

N/A

#### Comment

The Center does not dispense/administer medication.

**Policies and Procedures** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Met

#### Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

#### Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

## Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

## Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed. Cribs and cots were observed to be in good condition..

**Staff Records** 

## **Records Reviewed: 14** Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Staff # 1 Met Date of Hire: 07/27/2016 Staff # 2 Met Date of Hire: 12/03/2018 Staff #3 Met Date of Hire: 07/11/2018 Staff # 4 Met Date of Hire: 10/13/2017 Staff #5 Met Date of Hire: 01/03/2019 Staff #6 Met Date of Hire: 03/08/2018 Staff #7 Met

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/15/2018

## **Corrected on 5/2/2019**

.32(1) The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The center was observed to maintain ratio requirements on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/29/2018

## **Corrected on 5/2/2019**

.32(7) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Observed adequate supervision on this date.