



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 9/8/2017    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 2:15 PM    **Departure:** 4:30 PM

**CCLC-2142**

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.
09/08/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/23/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/08/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
			<b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
			<b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.
			<b>Deficient</b> - 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	Cafeteria	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	3	30	C	82	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	Media Center		0	0	C	43	C	NA	NA	
Main	Multipurpose Room		0	0	C	154	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 279			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 30			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							


Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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**Comments**

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a licensing study.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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).



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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.

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**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](mailto: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: <http://decal.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.

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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)

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Greta Simmons, Program Official

Date

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Jackqueline Frederick, Consultant

Date



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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

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

#### 591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

##### Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Facility

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

Met

##### Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Met

##### Comment

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

Not Met

**Correction Deadline: 2/23/2017**

**Corrected on 9/8/2017**

**.26(4) - Citation observed corrected on this date.**

##### Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the fencing on the right side does not measure at the height of 4 foot as required, but instead measures anywhere from 40 inches to 44 inches in certain areas.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

**Correction Deadline: 9/8/2017**

**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 consultant's observation that the swings were observed to have chipping paint, as well as the yellow steering wheels attached to the wooden climber.

**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 check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

**Correction Deadline: 12/31/2017**

**Recited on 9/8/2017**

**Health and Hygiene****591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

No children enrolled that require diapering.

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

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

Program does not dispense medication.

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

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

No Routine Transportation Provided

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment****591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Children not required to take naps.

**Staff Records**

**Records Reviewed: 7****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/26/2017	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/26/2017	
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 07/26/2016	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 07/27/2017	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/26/2017	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 03/18/2016	

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

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

Lead staff education requirements

**Staffing and Supervision****591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Observed-Adequate Supervision