

# 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: 12/18/2019 VisitType: Complaint Investigation Arrival: 8:50 AM Departure: 12:20 PM

Follow Up

#### CCLC-24257

## The Goddard School Suwanee III

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Quality Rated:





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Compliance Zone Designation					
12/18/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing			
12/18/2019	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing			
09/26/2019	Monitoring Visit	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

rule

Deficient - Programmer

Program is not demonstrating 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-1L-6wks-12 mnths	Infants	2	5	С	10	С	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding,Dia pering
Main	B-2L-12-18 mnths	One Year Olds	2	8	С	10	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Sn ack
Main	C-3L- 18-24 mnths	One Year Olds	2	9	С	10	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Sn ack
Main	D-4L-24-30 mnths	Two Year Olds	2	13	С	18	С	NA	NA	Snack,Transitioni
Main	E-5L-30-36 mnths	Two Year Olds	1	8	С	17	С	NA	NA	Snack
Main	F-4R-3-5 years	Three Year Olds	2	10	С	20	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Sn ack
Main	G-3R-3-5 years	Three Year Olds	2	14	С	21	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	H-2R-4-5 years	PreK	2	11	С	21	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	I-1R-3-5 years	Five Year Olds and PreK	2	12	С	20	С	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	47		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 90	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	47		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance	
Main	Playground A-6wks- 2years	27	С	
Main	Playground B-3-10 years	84	С	

## Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a Complaint Investigation and to follow up on citations from the previous visit conducted on September 26, 2019.

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).



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>							
Lauren Krogel, Program Official	Date	Mandi Sloan, Consultant	Date				



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## **Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Safety

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2019

Corrected on 12/18/2019

.36(3)(a-b) - The previous citation was corrected on this date as the Director and each person responsible for the transportation of children had completed the required two hours of transportation training.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 12 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 08/28/2018

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 11/06/2012

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 01/28/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 12/11/2017

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 05/16/2016

**Records Reviewed: 12** 

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1** 

Met

Staff #6

Date of Hire: 09/11/2008

Staff # 7

Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2014

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 10/11/2018

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 08/12/2019

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2018

Staff # 11 Met

Staff # 12 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

## Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

## Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Not Met

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2. requires teachers and lead caregivers to meet minimum academic requirements and qualifying experience at the time of employment. It was determined based on review of records that staff member #30, date of hire July 24, 2017, did not possess the minimum academic requirements and qualifying experience to serve a lead teacher in classroom D-4L (Toddler 2). Staff member #30 had a professional learning plan on file dated for September 2, 2019.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

A teacher/lead caregiver will be hired that meets the minimum academic requirements and qualifying work experience.

Correction Deadline: 1/1/2020

Recited on 12/18/2019