

# 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:** 8/3/2020 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 12:30 PM Departure: 2:30 PM

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**Quality Rated** 

10/21/2019

<u>Com</u> p	oliance Zone Desig		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 go		
08/03/2020	Licensing Study		standing, support, and deficient.		
10/23/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting		

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.

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# Ratios/License Capacity

Complaint

Investigation &

Licensing Study

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	Room1/1yrs	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	С	8	С	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	Room2/2yr	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	С	13	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room3/ 3yrs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	10	С	17	С	NA	NA	Music,Circle Time
Main	Room4/Pre-K	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	19	С	19	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room5/7-12yrs	Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	С	18	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room6/Infants	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	12	С	14	С	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 8	9		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 63	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 8	9		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Building Playground		Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Right Side	31	C

Good Standing

#### **Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on August 4, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on August 6, 2020 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued July 15, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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.

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#### **Important New Deadlines:**

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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-.03 Activities Not Evaluated

# Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

#### 591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to COVID-19 pandemic were discussed during the virtual walk through. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Met

# Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

# **Children's Records**

# Records Reviewed: 5 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Child # 1 Met

Child # 2 Met

Child # 3 Met

**Records Reviewed: 5** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child #4

Met

Child #5

Met

## 591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/21/2019

Corrected on 8/3/2020

.08(3) - Citation corrected based on an Administrative Review.

**Facility** 

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Not Evaluated

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 9/1/2020

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 9/1/2020

#### 591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Defer

#### Defer

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit when the rule correction can be observed in person.

#### 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: 10/31/2019

#### Defer

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit when the rule correction can be observed in person.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 10/25/2019

**Food Service** 

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Defer

#### Defer

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit when the rule correction can be observed in person.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will designate an appropriate area for the storage of containers of food, will make available containers, lids, and covers, and will train Staff on proper storage and labeling.

Correction Deadline: 10/21/2019

**Health and Hygiene** 

#### 591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

**Not Evaluated** 

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Handwashing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Not Evaluated

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Handwashing requirements were discussed with the Director on this date. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

**Technical Assistance** 

# **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed all areas of the medication for need of be filled out including the date of birth.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

Organization

#### 591-1-1-.04 Admission and Enrollment

**Not Evaluated** 

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

#### 591-1-1-.38 Enforcement

Not Evaluated

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

#### 591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License

Not Evaluated

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/16/2020

# 591-1-1-.37 Inspections & Investigations

**Not Evaluated** 

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

# **Policies and Procedures**

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

**Not Evaluated** 

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be review the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2020

# 591-1-1-.22 Parental Access

Not Evaluated

# Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be review the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

# 591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices

N/A

# Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be review the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

#### 591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Not Evaluated

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be review the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

Correction Deadline: 10/21/2019

Corrected on 8/3/2020 .29(3) - Citation corrected.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Not Evaluated

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding discipline were discussed with the Director on this date. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted on August 4, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Defer

#### **Technical Assistance**

The center is in the process of getting a new bus and transportation has not been provided since March 2020. The center has until August 10, 2020 to get an annual safety check.

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2020

# Defer

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit when the rule correction can be observed in person.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will maintain that all transportation vehicles are clean, in safe repair, and free from hazards.

Correction Deadline: 10/25/2019

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Not Evaluated

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be review the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/12/2020

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 16	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 01/08/2020	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 08/12/2019	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/14/2006	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 02/08/2011	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 10/05/2017	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 06/15/2020	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 04/29/1997	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 04/03/2019	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 06/20/2018	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 09/10/2018	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 10/09/2019	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 08/01/2010	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 01/16/2020	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 04/14/2008	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 06/01/2002	Met

Records Reviewed: 16 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 04/14/2008

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Based on an Administrative Review August 4, 2020 criminal record checks were observed to be complete for all listed staff members.

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed monitoring for criminal record check expirations dates as one staff members will expired in August 2020.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Met

# Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

#### 591-1-1-.28 Prohibited Substances

**Not Evaluated** 

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be review the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

# 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed the cook will need the food service and nutrition training before March 2021.

Correction Deadline: 9/1/2020

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

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

#### Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to COVID-19 pandemic were discussed during the virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued July 15, 2020.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

# **Staffing and Supervision**

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

**Not Evaluated** 

# Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be review the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020

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

Met

# Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Supervision was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding supervision were discussed with the director on this date. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be review the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2020