

### 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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Arrival: 9:00 AM **Date:** 1/23/2020 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Departure: 10:25 AM

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<u>Comp</u>	liance Zone Desig		<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				
01/23/2020	Monitoring Visit		standing, suppor	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
08/20/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Good Standing	<ul> <li>Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>			
02/07/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Support	<ul> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.</li> </ul>			
			Deficient	<ul> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>			

#### 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	1-year-olds-Far Left	One Year Olds	2	13	С	18	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	2-year-olds-Right	Two Year Olds	1	9	С	9	С	NA	NA	Breakfast
Main	3-year-olds-Middle	Four Year Olds	2	15	С	15	С	20	С	Breakfast,Transit ioning
Main	Afterschoolers-Far Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	8	С	8	С	12	С	Breakfast
Main	Infants-Left	Infants	2	8	С	7	NC	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 5	7		Total C ft.: 66	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 53	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 5	7		Total C ft.: 66	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Only	48	С

### Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to complete a monitoring visit.

The center is currently working with Quality Rated.

The director stated that the center does not provide routine transportation or swimming activities.

All cirminal records were reviewed on this date. The director provided one file for a student-in-training that began working at the center on January 13, 2020.

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>

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### **Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# **Activities and Equipment**

591-1-1-.03 Activities **Technical Assistance** 

## **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.03(2) - The consultant spoke with the director about posting current lesson plans in the classroom so that they are available for parents to review.

Correction Deadline: 1/23/2020

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.

Facility

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

**Not Met** 

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that eight children were present in a classroom licensed for only seven children.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The director was able to move one child to the one-year-old classroom. The Center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

Correction Deadline: 1/23/2020

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

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Technical Assistance** 

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)2 - The consultant spoke with the director about monitoring crib mattresses for rips and tears to ensure that they remain waterproof.

Correction Deadline: 1/23/2020

**Staff Records** 

#### **Records Reviewed: 4**

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

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 01/01/2008 Met

**Records Reviewed: 4** 

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

Met

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 01/01/2008

Staff # 3

Date of Hire: 10/26/2018

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 04/16/2018

#### 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.

#### Comment

Director provided one file for a student-in-training that was hired since last visit.

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

**Not Met** 

### **Finding**

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of records that one employee hired March 13, 2018 did not complete hands on CPR training within their first 90 days of employment. Additionally, one staff member hired April 16, 2019 did not complete hands on CPR training within their first 90 days of employment.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center currently has a CPR and First Aid training scheduled for February 4, 2020. The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2020

Recited on 1/23/2020

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.