

## 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:** 5/2/2018 Arrival: 9:45 AM Departure: 1:30 PM VisitType: Licensing Study

CCLC-28951 Regional Consultant

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Compliance Zone Designation				
05/02/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
11/06/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
09/21/2017	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.

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Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Support

Deficient

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

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.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	1L-Infant	Infants and One Year Olds	3	9	С	19	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Outside, Nap
Main	1R-Preschool	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	3	24	С	44	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Middle-Toddler	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	15	С	24	С	NA	NA	Outside
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 8	7		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 48	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 8	7		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance	
Main	Playground A	76	С	
Main	pygd B-behind ctr	20	С	

## Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a licensing study and to follow up on the previous visit from November 6, 2017.

The fingerprint requirements as well as the comprehensive background check requirements were discussed with the director on this date..

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/02/2018

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).



Reminder: <u>All</u> employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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: 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.

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). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

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>

Jasmyne Willingham, Program Official	Date	Alva Huff, 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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Comment

Discussed rotating toys to support the procedures of daily disinfecting.

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)

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)

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 Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures. Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete. Safety 591-1-1-.05 Animals **Technical Assistance Technical Assistance** 591-1-1-.05 - Consultant discussed cage requirements for animals with director on this date. 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR) Met Comment Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed. N/A 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) Comment Center does not participate in field trips at this time. 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) N/A Comment Center does not provide routine transportation. **Sleeping & Resting Equipment** Met 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) Comment Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. **Staff Records** 

Records Reviewed: 16	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 11/17/2016	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 05/31/2017	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 10/24/2017	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 11/17/2009	Met
Staff # 5	Met

Records Reviewed: 16	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Date of Hire: 01/04/2017	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2009	
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Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 09/30/2016	Met
24.0 0.1 0.7 0.7 20.7 20.7 0	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/17/2017	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2016	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 05/01/2014	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 04/10/2017	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 01/21/2016	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 01/01/2014	····ot
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 09/12/2016	Met
Date of Fille. 09/12/2010	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 01/10/2018	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 01/12/2018	
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 16	
591-1-109 Criminal Records Check(CR)	Met
Comment Criminal records checks were observed to be comple	ete.
Comment Director provided (3) file(s) for employees hired since	a last visit
591-1-131 Staff(CR)	Met
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## Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

## **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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.