

# 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: 8/9/2018	VisitType: Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Arrival: 8:45 AM	Departure: 2:30 PM
CCLC-32500		Regio	onal Consultant

#### **Discovery Point #10**

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### Mailing Address

Same



Compliance Zone Designation			<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			
08/09/2018	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit		standing, support, and deficient. <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting			
08/09/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	Support   Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting			
05/09/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	rules.   Deficient - 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	1L	Infants and One Year Olds	3	12	C	19	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap,Feedin g
Main	1R	Two Year Olds	3	22	С	22	С	NA	NA	Lunch,Nap,Trans itioning
Main	2L	One Year Olds	2	8	С	16	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Na p
Main	2R	PreK	2	18	С	24	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	3L	One Year Olds	2	12	С	19	С	NA	NA	Lunch,Nap,Trans itioning
Main	3R	PreK	2	19	С	26	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	4R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	26	С	29	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	5R	PreK	2	17	С	36	С	NA	NA	Outside
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	91		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 134	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	91		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A infant/Toddler	20	C
Main	B rear Preschool/ S/A	79	С

Main	C two-threes	74	С
Main		14	0

#### **Comments**

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and monitoring visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/09/2018

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 <u>www.decalkoala.com</u>. 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: <u>http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</u>

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: <u>https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</u> Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <u>qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</u>

Valerie DeLong, Program Official

Date

Stacy Whitten, Consultant

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The following information is	associated with a Monitoring	g Visit:	Activit	ioo and Equ	inmont
			ACTIVIT	ies and Equ	ipment
591-1-112 Equipment & Toy	vs(CR)				Met
<b>Comment</b> A variety of equipment and toy	s were observed throughout th	e center.			
591-1-135 Swimming Pools	& Water-related Activities(C	R)			N/A
Comment Center does not provide swimr	ning activities.				
					Facility
591-1-119 License Capacity	(CR)				Met
<b>Comment</b> Licensed capacity observed to	be routinely met by center.				
591-1-125 Physical Plant - S	Safe Environment(CR)			Technical A	ssistance
<b>Technical Assistance</b> 591-1-125(3) - Consultant dis the back 5R classroom where s baseboard near the trash can a <b>Correction Deadline: 8/9/201</b>	stains are beginning to develop area.				
Technical Assistance 591-1-125(3) - Consultant dis beginning to develop on the ce Correction Deadline: 8/9/2018	iling in the girls bathroom in the				
591-1-126 Playgrounds(CR)					Met

**Comment** Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Met

Not Met

591-1-110 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
Comment	
Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.	
591-1-117 Hygiene(CR)	Met
Comment	
Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.	
591-1-120 Medications(CR)	Met
Comment	
Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.	
	Safety

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

#### Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center. It was determined based on a review of records that there was not evidence of unload checks for children on a routine transportation trip to Dacula Elementary on August 8, 2018.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

#### Correction Deadline: 8/10/2018

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c) 3. requires that the driver or other designated person document in writing the time of arrival and departure each time the vehicle departs from the Center, is loaded or unloaded at each school and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle departs from the Center, arrives at the location where any child is picked up or dropped off and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle leaves the Center, arrives at a field trip destination, leaves a field trip destination, and returns to the Center. It was determined based on a review of records that there was not evidence of the arrival or departure times on a field trip to Glow Galaxy with fourteen children on June 26, 2018.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that each time of arrival and departure is documented by the driver or designated person with training, review and monitoring.

#### Correction Deadline: 8/10/2018

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)1. requires that the first check be conducted immediately upon unloading the last child at any location including, but not limited to, a field trip destination, arrival at the Center, and the last stop during transportation to home or school. The responsible person on the vehicle shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; sign the passenger transportation checklist (s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle; and give the passenger transportation checklist(s) to the second designated Staff person. It was determined based on a review of records that there was not evidence of a first check on a field trip to Stone Mountain with fourteen children on June 20, 2018, and there was not evidence of a first check on a field trip to Glow Galaxy with fourteen children on June 26, 2018.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

#### Correction Deadline: 8/10/2018

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based on a review of records that there was not evidence of a second check on a field trip to Stone Mountain with fourteen children on June 20, 2018, and there was not evidence of a second check on a field trip to Glow Galaxy with fourteen children on June 26, 2018.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

#### Correction Deadline: 8/9/2018

## **Sleeping & Resting Equipment** 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) Met Comment Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. Comment Pleasant naptime environment observed. Staff Records **Records Reviewed: 32 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0** Staff # 1 Met Date of Hire: 07/31/2018 Staff # 2 Met Date of Hire: 10/09/2017 Staff # 3 Met Date of Hire: 12/27/2017 Staff # 4 Met

Records Reviewed: 32	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Date of Hire: 01/19/2009	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 07/31/2017	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 06/21/2011	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 06/05/2018	IVIGL
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 07/29/2016	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 09/04/2012	Met
Date of hite. 09/04/2012	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 07/18/2011	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 08/18/2015	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 01/08/2016	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 07/30/2018	
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Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 02/16/2016	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 08/01/2018	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 05/09/2018	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 08/25/2015	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 08/08/2005	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 08/29/2016	
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Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 04/01/2016	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 09/30/2016	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 07/31/2014	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 03/10/2016	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 07/05/2017	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 01/01/2015	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 07/30/2018	Met
Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 03/10/2016	Met
Staff # 28 Date of Hire: 05/09/2018	Met
Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 01/13/2017	Met
Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 10/10/2017	Met
Staff # 31 Date of Hire: 04/01/2016	Met
Staff # 32 Date of Hire: 12/10/2017	Met

#### **Staff Credentials Reviewed: 32**

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.09 - On and after October 1, 2018, local background checks (with purpose code "W") will no longer be accepted (no more 21-day provisional employment) Everyone must have at least a fingerprint-based background check letter before they can be present at the center to care for children

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

#### Comment

Director provided six file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

#### Comment

Lead staff education requirements are met.

# Staffing and Supervision

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

#### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

#### Comment

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

Met

Met

Met