



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 10/10/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

**Arrival:** 9:45 AM

**Departure:** 12:30 PM

**CCLC-32675**

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
10/10/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
02/09/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
08/03/2016	Licensing Study	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 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	Two Year Olds	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	1R: 3-5 years	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	16	C	18	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	2L		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	2R	Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	18	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 60						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 30			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 60			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance

**Comments**

The Provider will review the updated July 1, 2017 Rules/Regulation licensing handbook.

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).

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- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
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- 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.

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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)

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Angilla Jones, Program Official

Date

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Tamra Thomas, Consultant

Date



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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**

**Met**

**Comment**

Discussed with the provider ensuring Lesson Plans template used meets DECAL rule requirement.

**Correction Deadline: 10/10/2017**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Facility

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 2/9/2017**

**Corrected on 10/10/2017**

**Correction of previous citation. Provider has provided a separate room where staff purses are kept.**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

Previously Cited: 591-1-1-.26(8) requires the playground to be kept clean, free of litter and hazards. It was determined based on consultants observations that several broken buckets, Frisbee and other plastic toys were observed in the water table on the lower portion of the playground on this date.

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation the following hazards were observed:

\*Cracked buckets with rust were observed in the water table on the lower portion of the playground.

\*Sharp concrete blocks are exposed around the anchoring of the Seesaw.

\*Plastic wrappers were thrown away on the ground by the brown bench

\*Erosion has occurred by the sidewalk causing a tripping hazard

\*Three exposed white water pipes are posing a potential tripping hazard

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Previously Cited: To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the playground, the center will remove broken toys for the playground.

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.

Provider will add more dirt/mulch to ensure exposed cement rocks and tripping hazards are covered.

**Correction Deadline: 10/11/2017****Recited on 10/10/2017**

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<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 2/10/2017****Corrected on 10/10/2017**

Correction of previous citation. The provider has current Medication permission forms for two children that has not expired on this date.

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<b>Safety</b>
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**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****Met****Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

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<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Consultant observed the cots to be labeled for individual use and sheets were stored in the children cubbies.

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**Staff Records**

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**Records Reviewed: 7****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 05/12/2016	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 11/11/2015	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/15/2016	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2013	

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7**

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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

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

Provider has a Lead Teacher with the required Credentials assigned to each classroom.

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**Staffing and Supervision**

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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision