



**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:** 11/15/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

**Arrival:** 10:00 AM

**Departure:** 1:20 PM

**CCLC-35297**

**Faithful Futures Learning Academy**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<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 standing, support, and deficient.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
11/15/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/07/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/27/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

**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	A-School Age		0	0	C	32	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rm. B	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	18	C	30	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Rm.C	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	13	C	24	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 72			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Playground Limitations					
Total # Children this Date: 31			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 72		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	24	C

**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/15/2017

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:** All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit [www.decalkoala.com](http://www.decalkoala.com). 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.

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**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@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.al.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://dec.al.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)



**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: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.ga.gov/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov)

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Deanna Hall, Program Official

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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**

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Lesson plan requirements discussed with center Director.

**Correction Deadline: 11/15/2017**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Securing equipment discussed with center Director.

**Correction Deadline: 12/15/2017**

**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**

**Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that there was a six inch gap at the bottom of the fence on the right side. Additionally, a bottom slat was observed to be broken and sharp on the back left side and the front right side of the playground fence.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

**Correction Deadline: 12/4/2017****Recited on 11/15/2017****Food Service****591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Correction Deadline: 2/7/2017****Corrected on 11/15/2017****.15(7) - Correction of previous citation observed.****Health and Hygiene****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****Comment**

Per center Director, medication has not been dispensed since the last regulatory visit.

**Correction Deadline: 11/15/2017****Safety****591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 2/8/2017****Corrected on 11/15/2017****.36(7)(c)2. - Correction of previous citation observed.****Correction Deadline: 2/7/2017**

## Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

**Comment**

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

## Staff Records

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

Met

**Comment**

Satisfactory records check determination observed for two employees hired since the last regulatory visit.

**Correction Deadline: 11/15/2017**

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

**Comment**

591-1-1-.33(3) - Health and safety training observed for all required staff.

**Correction Deadline: 12/15/2017**

**Defer**

591-1-1-.33(5)- Staff has until December 31, 2017, to complete annual training for 2017.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of ongoing training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

**Correction Deadline: 3/9/2017**

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

Met

**Comment**

Staff observed to follow applicable laws.

**Correction Deadline: 11/15/2017**

## Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

**Comment**

Discussed-Combining Mixed Ages

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

Met

**Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision