

# 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: 11/17/2020 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 10:00 AM Departure: 11:00 AM

CCLC-35601 Regional Consultant

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Quality Rated: 1





Compliance Zone Designation					
11/17/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
02/12/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
08/06/2019	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 - Progra

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

**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
Building 2	Left side	Two Year Olds	2	5	С	20	С	NA	NA	Outside
Building 2	Right Side A	Infants	2	2	С	10	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
Building 2	Right Side B	One Year Olds	2	5	С	10	С	NA	NA	Outside
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 4	0		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Main	1st Left	One Year Olds	1	7	С	11	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	1st Right A	Infants	1	5	С	8	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play
Main	1st Right B		0	0	С	9	С	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Left	Two Year Olds	2	11	С	25	С	NA	NA	Free Play,Centers
Main	2nd Right	Three Year Olds	3	12	С	19	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Back	PreK	4	18	С	74	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Ce nters,Art
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	46		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 65	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	86		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG Infant	22	С

Main	PG School	72	С
Main	PG-Preschool	65	С

#### Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on November 16, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on November 17, 2020 with the staff person in charge. An in-person visit was not conducted due to Covid-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on June 16, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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).



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>

Anita Hughes, Program Official	Date	Penny Svenson, Consultant	Date



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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 Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit.

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

Met

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. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

Corrected on 11/17/2020

The correction was observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/27/2020

Corrected on 11/17/2020

The correction was observed on this date. New flooring was installed throughout the center.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

Corrected on 11/17/2020

The correction was observed on this date.

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the new infant feeding plan is now required and that parents should have discussed with the child's pediatrician foods that are developmentally appropriate and all have agreed that it is developmentally appropriate. There is no required written piece needed from the doctor. The parent must acknowledge and sign off on the new form that they have discussed with the pediatrician and it is deemed appropriate.

Correction Deadline: 11/17/2020

## **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

Corrected on 11/17/2020

The correction was observed on this date. Staff stated proper knowledge.

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2020

Corrected on 11/17/2020

The correction was observed on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date.

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### 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

#### 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.

**Staff Records** 

Records Reviewed: 25	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 03/03/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 09/14/2020	
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 03/04/2012	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 10/07/2020	
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 08/13/2019	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 08/26/2020	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 11/04/2020	
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 08/27/2020	

Records Reviewed: 25	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 10/17/2019	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 03/11/2020	Met
Staff # 22	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 10/21/2019	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 02/24/2020	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 10/03/2019	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5	
591-1-109 Criminal Records and Comprehensive	Background Checks(CR) Met
Comment Criminal record checks were observed to be complete	e.
591-1-114 First Aid & CPR	Met
Comment Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in	First Aid and CPR
591-1-133 Staff Training	Met
Comment Documentation observed of required staff training.	
591-1-131 Staff(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws a	nd regulations.
	Staffing and Supervision
591-1-132 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)	Met

#### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment Adequate supervision observed on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.