

# 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: 10/16/2020 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 12:30 PM Departure: 2:00 PM

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# Quality Rated: ★

10/16/2020

08/26/2019

03/11/2019



Licensing Study

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Monitoring Visit



**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 standing, support, and deficient. |
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| 1 | Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting   |

Support

the rules.

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

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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<br>SF. | 35 SF.<br>Comp. | Max 25<br>SF. | 25 SF.<br>Comp. | Notes |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--|-------|----------|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-------|
| Single                        | A/Cafeteria | Five Year Olds and Six Year<br>Olds and Over | 2     | 7        | С                              | 85            | С               | NA            | NA              | Story |
|                               |             | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85               | 5     |          | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 85 |               |                 |               |                 |       |
| Total # Children this Date: 7 |             | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85               | 5     | Total (  |                                | apacity @     | 25 sq.          | -             |                 |       |

| Building | Playground | Playground<br>Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Single   | PG A/Large | 58                      | С                     |
| Single   | PG B/Small | 19                      | С                     |

#### **Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on October 16, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/16/2020

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).

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| Joshua Nolan, Program Official | Date | Melyn Smith, 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. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

# **Children's Records**

# Records Reviewed: 5 Child # 1 Child # 2 Child # 3 Child # 4 Child # 4 Child # 5 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Met Met Met Met Met Met

#### 591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

#### Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2019

#### Corrected on 10/16/2020

.08(1) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that five of five children's files reviewed contained all required information on this date.

**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. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

**Not Met** 

#### Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined, based on observation, that one plastic picnic table on the playground was observed to have cracks with sharp edges on the table tops and on the benches on this date.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 11/9/2020

Recited on 10/16/2020

Correction Deadline: 8/30/2019

#### Corrected on 10/16/2020

.26(9) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the playground was observed to be kept clean, free from litter, and free of hazards on this date during the virtual walk through.

**Food Service** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

N/A

#### Comment

No children enrolled who require diapering. School age children attend only for after school hours.

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

Met

#### Comment

Hand washing requirements were discussed with the Area Coordinator on this date.

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

N/A

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

# **Policies and Procedures**

# 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.21(3)- A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This citation is deferred until the next regulatory visit.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hold the drills as required and keep the documentation of the drills on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2019

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals N/A

#### Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Met

#### Comment

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

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

N/A

#### 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**

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

N/A

#### Comment

Sleeping/Naps are not required for this program. School age children attend only for after school hours.

Staff Records

# **Records Reviewed: 2**

# Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Data at I line 207/00/0000

Met

Date of Hire: 07/29/2020

Staff # 2

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 08/26/2020

## 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

# 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each Staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development. It was determined, based on review of records, that Staff #2, hired July 19, 2019, was lacking evidence of completing the Health and Safety Orientation training, which was required within 90 days of hire on this date.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/6/2020

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

#### Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on September 30, 2020.

# **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

Adequate supervision observed on this date during the virtual walk through.