

# 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:** 12/9/2020 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 3:05 PM **Departure:** 4:05 PM

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09/22/2020



Licensing Study

**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

**Deficient** - Pro

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      |
|--------------------------------|------|------------------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------|
| Main                           | A    | Six Year Olds and Over             | 1     | 4        | С                             | 15            | С               | NA            | NA              | Homework   |
| Main                           | В    |                                    | 0     | 0        | С                             | 8             | С               | NA            | NA              | Not In Use |
| Main                           | С    | Infants and One Year Olds          | 1     | 5        | С                             | 7             | С               | NA            | NA              | Floor Play |
| Main                           | D    | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 1     | 3        | С                             | 38            | С               | NA            | NA              | Centers    |
|                                |      | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 68     | 8     |          | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |               |                 |               |                 |            |
| Total # Children this Date: 12 |      | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft : 68     | R     |          | Total C                       | anacity @     | 25 sa           |               |                 |            |

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| Building | Playground | Playground<br>Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Main     | Playground | 49                      |                       |

Good Standing

#### Comments

Attempted contact with the center on 12-9-2020

On December 10, 2020 the virtual vist was completed via Zoom,

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/09/2020

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).

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>

| LaSonya Simmons, Program Official | Date | Lajuana Williams, 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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were 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.

**Facility** 

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center's licensed capacity was observed to met,

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through there were no hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During a virtual walk through the playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.10 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through on this date diapering was not directly observed, however, staff stated proper knowledge of the rules.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.17 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through on this date handwashing was not directly observed, however, staff stated proper knowledge of the rules.

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

N/A

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.11 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through on this date discipline was not directly observed, however, staff stated proper knowledge of the rules.

#### 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)

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through SIDS and infant sleeping position was discussed.

Staff Records

#### **Records Reviewed: 12**

#### Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 06/28/2017

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 07/01/2016

Staff #3

Met

Date of Hire: 04/30/2019

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 02/22/2019

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 10/28/2019

**Records Reviewed: 12** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff #6

Date of Hire: 08/28/2020

Staff #7

Met

Met

Date of Hire: 01/21/2020

Staff #8

Met

Date of Hire: 06/28/2019

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 04/30/2018

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 02/19/2019

Staff # 11

Met

Date of Hire: 06/27/2019

Staff # 12

Met

Date of Hire: 06/28/2019

### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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 August 15, 2020.

# **Staffing and Supervision**

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center was observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through staff was observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.