

# 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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Arrival: 11:00 AM Date: 1/13/2021 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Departure: 12:30 PM

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# **Noah's Ark Christian Learning Center**

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**Quality Rated:** 



| Compliance Zone Designation |                  |               |  |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|--|--|
| 01/13/2021                  | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing |  |  |
| 07/31/2020                  | Licensing Study  | Good Standing |  |  |
| 01/30/2020                  | Monitoring Visit | 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

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                     |
|----------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|----------|---------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Main     | A-202     | One Year Olds                 | 2     | 4        | С       | 10            | С               | NA            | NA              | Lunch                     |
| Main     | B-203     | Two Year Olds                 | 2     | 7        | С       | 9             | С               | NA            | NA              | Lunch                     |
| Main     | C-204     | Two Year Olds                 | 1     | 7        | С       | 9             | С               | NA            | NA              | Lunch                     |
| Main     | D-205     | Two Year Olds                 | 1     | 9        | С       | 13            | С               | NA            | NA              | Lunch                     |
| Main     | E-210     | Three Year Olds               | 2     | 11       | С       | 20            | С               | NA            | NA              | Nap                       |
| Main     | F-213     | Three Year Olds               | 2     | 12       | С       | 20            | С               | 28            | С               | Transitioning             |
| Main     | G-214     | Two Year Olds                 | 2     | 7        | С       | 10            | С               | NA            | NA              | Nap                       |
| Main     | H-215     | One Year Olds                 | 1     | 5        | С       | 10            | С               | NA            | NA              | Nap                       |
| Main     | I-216     | One Year Olds                 | 1     | 2        | С       | 10            | С               | NA            | NA              | Nap                       |
| Main     | J-217     | One Year Olds                 | 2     | 5        | С       | 10            | С               | 15            | С               | Nap                       |
| Main     | K-218-219 |                               | 0     | 0        | С       | 20            | С               | 29            | С               |                           |
| Main     | L-227     | PreK                          | 2     | 18       | С       | 20            | С               | 29            | С               | Lunch                     |
| Main     | M-229     | Four Year Olds                | 2     | 9        | С       | 20            | С               | 29            | С               | Lunch                     |
| Main     | N-232     | Infants and One Year Olds     | 1     | 5        | С       | 9             | С               | NA            | NA              | Feeding,Floor<br>Play,Nap |
| Main     | O-234     |                               | 0     | 0        | С       | 9             | С               | NA            | NA              |                           |
| Main     | P-235     |                               | 0     | 0        | С       | 9             | С               | 12            | С               |                           |
| Main     | Q-236-237 |                               | 0     | 0        | С       | 33            | С               | 46            | С               |                           |
|          |           | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2 | 41    |          | Total C | apacity @     | 25 sq.          |               |                 |                           |

Total # Children this Date: 101

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 241

Total Capacity @25 sq.

| Building | Playground            | Playground<br>Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Main     | Playground (3-12 Yrs) | 62                      | С                     |
| Main     | Playground-Infant     | 32                      | С                     |

#### Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on January 13, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on September 30, 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).

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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>

| Trina Stone, Program Official | Date | Colleen Covey, 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

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on January 13, 2021.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records** 

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/31/2020

Corrected on 1/13/2021

.08(1) - The information was added to the children's applications. The center is now using a new application that includes space for all the required information.

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

A virtual walk through of the center was conducted on January 13, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. No hazards were observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

A virtual walk through of the playground was conducted on January 13, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The playground was observed to be clean and in good repair. The consultant discussed monitoring and maintaining the resilient surface.

**Food Service** 

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

Met

### Comment

New meal requirements were discussed with the Director.

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director 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 January 13, 2021.

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hand washing was not directly observed during the virtual walk through on this date. Staff stated knowledge of proper hand washing procedures for staff and children.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.20 - Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

# **Policies and Procedures**

# 591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

#### Comment

Discussed reporting requirements.

Safety

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

Met

# Comment

TA-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 Director on this date.

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

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.13(6)- This was not able to be evaluated as the center is not taking field trips at this time. This rule will be evaluated when field trips resume.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center Staff will review emergency medical information for each child who goes on a field trip and obtain any missing information. The Center will ensure that this information is in the possession of both the Center and the required adult on the trip.

Correction Deadline: 9/26/2019

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

Met

#### Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date. Vehicle inspections were observed completed as follows:

2002 Express, Tag # PB7778, November 25, 2020

2004 G 3500 Van, Tag # PB7777, November 23, 2020

2006 Express, Tag # PB7779, November 23, 2020

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

### Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Staff Records** 

# Records Reviewed: 35 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 01/22/2016

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 01/13/2020

Staff # 3

Date of Hire: 03/21/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 11/23/2020

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 10/07/2013

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 07/02/2012

Staff # 7

| Records Reviewed: 35     | Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 |
|--------------------------|---|
| Date of Hire: 10/26/2020 |   |
| Staff # 8                | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 10/02/2017 |   |
| Staff # 9                | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 10/03/2016 |   |
| Staff # 10               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 11/15/2017 |   |
| Staff # 11               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 10/05/2020 |   |
| Staff # 12               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 10/23/2019 |   |
| Staff # 13               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 04/02/2019 |   |
| Staff # 14               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 09/01/2020 |   |
| Staff # 15               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 09/24/2020 |   |
| Staff # 16               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 02/07/2012 |   |
| Staff # 17               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 09/21/2020 |   |
| Staff # 18               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 11/12/2018 |   |
| Staff # 19               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 01/06/2021 |   |
| Staff # 20               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 03/19/2019 |   |
| Staff # 21               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 03/04/2019 |   |
| Staff # 22               | Met   |
| Date of Hire: 07/02/2018 |   |

| Records Reviewed: 35   | Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 |
|--|---|
| Staff # 23<br>Date of Hire: 01/13/2020                               | Met   |
| Staff # 24<br>Date of Hire: 11/03/2020                               | Met   |
| Staff # 25<br>Date of Hire: 12/30/2019                               | Met   |
| Staff # 26<br>Date of Hire: 11/02/2016                               | Met   |
| Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 11/30/2020                                  | Met   |
| Staff # 28 Date of Hire: 11/11/2019                                  | Met   |
| Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 06/25/2018                                  | Met   |
| Staff # 30<br>Date of Hire: 05/15/2020                               | Met   |
| Staff # 31<br>Date of Hire: 03/21/2019                               | Met   |
| Staff # 32<br>Date of Hire: 10/10/2019                               | Met   |
| Staff # 33<br>Date of Hire: 06/10/2016                               | Met   |
| Staff # 34<br>Date of Hire: 06/02/2014                               | Met   |
| Staff # 35<br>Date of Hire: 03/21/2019                               | Met   |
| Staff Credentials Reviewed: 12                                       |   |
| 591-1-109 Criminal Records and Comprehensive                         | e Background Checks(CR) Met                   |
| <b>Comment</b> Director provided ten files for employees hired since | last visit on July 31, 2020.                  |
| 591-1-131 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.