



**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:** 4/19/2019    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 3:05 PM    **Departure:** 5:00 PM

**CCLC-39670**

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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.
04/19/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/25/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/14/2018	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- Left	Three Year Olds	1	8	C	9	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	B- Middle	Six Year Olds and Over	1	10	C	8	NC	11	C	Transitioning
Main	C- Right	Four Year Olds	1	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 28							
Total # Children this Date: 23			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 28				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	14	C

**Comments**

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a monitoring visit.

Regional Consultant's contact information:

Regional Consultant: Octavia Humphrey (770)-357-3234  
 Regional Manager: Laura Davis (706)-314-7886  
 Coordinator: Morgan Stahl (770)-357-7042

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/19/2019

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, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.aspx>, 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@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us).

- 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://www.dec.state.ga.us/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.

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: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>  
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.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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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 variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities at this time.

#### Facility

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

**Technical Assistance**

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Please ensure children are moved to assigned classroom to ensure license capacity is routinely met in each classroom.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

#### Food Service

**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 9/25/2018**

Corrected on 4/19/2019

Correction of citation in that the freezer temperature was observed to be at zero degrees as required.

## Health and Hygiene

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

Met

#### Comment

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

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

Met

#### Comment

Consultant observed children washing hands upon entering the building from afternoon bus transportation.

### 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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Not Met

**Correction Deadline: 10/5/2018**

Corrected on 4/19/2019

Correction of citation in that transportation training documentation was observed for two staff members.

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(b) requires that an emergency medical information record be maintained in the vehicle for each child being transported. The emergency medical information record for each child shall include a listing of the child's full name, date of birth, allergies, special medical needs and conditions, current prescribed medications that the child is required to take on a daily basis for a chronic condition, the name and telephone number of the child's doctor, the local medical facility that the Center uses in the area where the Center is located and the telephone numbers where the Parents can be reached. It was determined based on a review of records two out of thirteen children did not a vehicle medical emergency authorization forms on the vehicle while participating in after school transportation.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain a complete emergency medical information record on each vehicle that transports children.

**Correction Deadline: 4/20/2019**

## 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: 3**

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

Staff # 1 Met  
Date of Hire: 12/01/2016

Staff # 2 Met  
Date of Hire: 01/03/2017

Staff # 3 Met  
Date of Hire: 12/01/2016

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3**

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

**Comment**

Consultant observed satisfactory comprehensive background criminal record checks for all staff.

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Staffing and Supervision**

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

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date. Consultant discussed the rule regarding the combining of children during the first hour and that ratios and room capacities have to be maintained.

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.