



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 5/16/2019    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 1:00 PM    **Departure:** 6:15 PM

**CCLC-46090**

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**Quality Rated:** ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
05/16/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/06/2018	Monitoring Visit	Deficient
06/12/2018	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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 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 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A First Left		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	B 1st right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	9	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	C Far Right	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	29	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play
Main	D 2nd Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	E rear middle	PreK	1	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			104			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date:			42			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Rear Playground	38	C

**Comments**

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, <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://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 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.

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

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records****Records Reviewed: 5****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

**591-1-1-.08 Children's Records****Met****Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facility**

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**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms** **Met**

**Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

**Correction Deadline: 12/6/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

.25(13) - Citation has been corrected. Staff personal belongings including purses were not accessible to the children. Consultant did not observe air fresheners in the bathrooms. Consultant did not observe an infant bottle warmer on top of the mini fridge.

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

**Correction Deadline: 12/16/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

.26(8) - Citation has been corrected. Three inches of mulch was observed around the slide and large climbing structure. Consultant did discuss with director to fluff and redistribute mulch due to recent rainy weather.

**Correction Deadline: 12/6/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

.26(9) - Citation has been corrected. No leaves were observed on the playground.

**Food Service**

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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition** **Met**

**Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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

**Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

**Correction Deadline: 12/20/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

.17(7) - Citation has been corrected. Hot water ran from the faucet in each bathroom.

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

**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

**Policies and Procedures**

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**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures** **Met**

**Comment**

Program observed complete emergency drills

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**591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices** **Met**

**Comment**

Observed all required posted notices.

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**591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting** **Met**

**Comment**

Discussed reporting requirements.

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**Safety**

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**591-1-1-.05 Animals** **Met**

**Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

**Comment**

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment 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.

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**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)** **Met**

**Correction Deadline: 12/13/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

**.36(4)(a) - Citation has been corrected. Per center director, not using personal vehicle to transport.**

**Correction Deadline: 6/11/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

**.36(4)(c) - Consultant observed fire extinguisher in the vehicle.**

**Correction Deadline: 12/6/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

**.36(7)(d)2. - Citation has been corrected. Second checks were observed in the transportation book.**

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Correction Deadline: 12/16/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

**.30(1)(a) - Citation has been corrected.**

**Correction Deadline: 12/6/2018**

Corrected on 5/16/2019

.30(1)(a)3 - Citation has been corrected. All cribs had proper fitting sheets. All sheets were observed to be in good and clean repair.

Correction Deadline: 12/6/2018

Corrected on 5/16/2019

.30(2) - Citation has been corrected. No items were attached to any of the cribs in during the visit.

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**Records Reviewed: 12**

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

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 04/02/2018	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 01/12/2019	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 06/04/2018	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 01/31/2019	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 10/21/2018	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/13/2018	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 09/14/2017	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 04/30/2018	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 12/26/2016	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 11/27/2018	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 08/29/2018	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 10/21/2018	

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 12**

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

**Comment**

Director provided 2 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

**Correction Deadline: 12/6/2018**

**Corrected on 5/16/2019**

**.09(1)(a) - Citation has been corrected. All staff observed to have comprehensive records determination letters in personnel files.**

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**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR** **Met**

**Comment**

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

**Comment**

Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s).

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training** **Met**

**Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Staffing and Supervision**

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

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.