



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 11/12/2019 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
11/12/2019	Initial Licensing Study	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	B- 8wks - 2 yrs	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	C	8	C	NA	NA	Breakfast, Floor Play, Free Play
Main	C- 2 - 5 yrs	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	2	C	5	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			10			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0		
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Total # Children this Date:			5			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0		
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Building @35 capacity limited by Zoning

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground - All Ages	22	C

Comments

Permission to Operate not issued on this date. Facility does not carry Liability Insurance. Consultant discussed Quality Rated and the new Criminal Background requirements on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/12/2019

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.

- 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

Patricia Hines, Program Official

Date

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based on observation that the black shelf at the entry of classroom B was not secured, and could easily be tipped over.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will attach the self with anchoring hooks and secure it to the wall. Consultant printed out the tipping hazards document from the website and reviewed it with the owner on this date.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2019

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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

Met

Comment

Permission to operate not issued on this date. Center must purchase cribs prior to operating as a Child Care Licensing Center.

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

Met

Comment

Consultant discussed keeping items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children such as the vacuum and brooms, store them on the other side of the barriers to keep out of reach of children.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(4) - Consultant discussed with the Owner, prior to having families enter through the side, that the air conditioner unit would require a four (4) foot barrier around it to keep it inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 11/12/2019**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(8) - Consultant discussed with the Director the requirements prior to installing swings to ensure the fall zones and resilient surfacing is met. The fall zone would need to extend twelve (12)feet in front of and behind the swings and six (6) feet out each side. Further there may only be two swings per bay.

Correction Deadline: 11/22/2019**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that there was an old tree growing through the fence on the left side. Further consultant observed the ground to not be flush with the walkway posing a tripping hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add construction fencing to enclose the area where the tree is growing through and add dirt around the walkway to ensure it is flush with the ground.

Correction Deadline: 11/25/2019

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Finding

591-1-1-.10(1) requires Centers first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that are renovated after March 1, 1991, to provide ventilation in the diapering areas with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open. It was determined based on observation that in classroom B there was no ventilation being used during diaper changes.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will install a screen mesh around the door and open it during diapering times to ensure that fresh air is circulating during diapering times.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2019

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Safety

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation. Consultant discussed transportation requirements if/when the facility decides to incorporate transportation. The center will contact their regional consultant and complete the required two (2) hour transportation training prior to transporting children.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a) requires a crib that is safety approved in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards be provided for each infant. It was determined based on observation that an infant was present and no crib was available. The owner had a pack 'n' play for the infant to sleep in.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will purchase a crib for the infant to sleep in.

Correction Deadline: 11/22/2019

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 2**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 11/12/2019

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 11/12/2019

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete. Three (3) of three (3) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

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.

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

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