

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: 1/26/2021 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 12:00 PM Departure: 1:00 PM

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Quality Rated: No

				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					
	01/26/2021	Licensing Study		standing, support					
	09/02/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Good Standing -	 Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. 				
	12/03/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	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	Room A - 1L		0	0	С	26	С	NA	NA	-
Main	Room B - 2L	PreK	1	6	С	11	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Room C - 3L		0	0	С	10	С	NA	NA	
Main	Room D - 4R	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	С	11	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room E - 5R	One Year Olds	1	8	С	9	С	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 6	7		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			`		
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 17	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 6	7		Total C	apacity @	25 sg.	•		

Γotal # Children this Date: 17 ft.: 0

Building Playground		Playground Occupancy	Compliance
Main	Playground A	68	

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on January 27, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on January 26, 2021, with the staff person in charge. An in-person visit was not conducted due to Covid-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on June 16, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/26/2021

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.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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@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: http://decal.ga.gov/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).

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Sandra Elliott, Program Official	Date	Penny Svenson, Consultant	Date



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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-,03 Activities Met

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2019

Corrected on 1/26/2021

Lesson plans were observed on this date.

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

Met

Comment

The visit was conducted during nap time on this date. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 4 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1 Met

Child # 2 Met

Child # 3 Met

Child # 4 Met

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

Met

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

No hazards were observed accessible to children on this date during the virtual visit that was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Playground was not observed on this date due to the bandwidth during the virtual visit that was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Food Service

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the new infant feeding plan is now required and that parents should have discussed with the child's pediatrician foods that are developmentally appropriate and all have agreed that it is developmentally appropriate. There is no required written piece needed from the doctor. The parent must acknowledge and sign off on the new form that they have discussed with the pediatrician and it is deemed appropriate.

Correction Deadline: 1/26/2021

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Thermometers were observed to be present in the refrigerator and freezer on this date. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.07(5) requires Center Staff to not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. It was determined based on Consultant observation that there was an infant that had a pacifier clip attached to their clothing on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will instruct Staff regarding this safety requirement.

Correction Deadline: 1/26/2021

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures during the virtual visit that was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures. The medication form provided did not reflect any administered medications. The Consultant discussed with the Director to provide all required information when medications were administered.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director that redirection was the preferred method of discipline, and if time out was used to ensure a child was not in time out for more than one minute per their age.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed. A virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 8

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 11/02/2020

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2018

Staff # 3 Met

Records Reviewed: 8

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 05/29/2018

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 10/17/2020

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 10/21/2020

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 06/11/2019

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 11/30/2020

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 08/11/2018

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-.14 First Aid & CPR

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the Center was required to have a first aid kit in each building of the Center that contains scissors, tweezers, gauze pads, adhesive tape, thermometer, band-aids, assorted sizes, antibacterial ointment, insect-sting preparation, an antiseptic cleansing solution, triangular bandages, rubber gloves, protective eye wear, a protective face mask, and a cold pack. The first aid kit, together with a first aid instruction manual which must be kept with the kit at all times, shall be stored so that it is not accessible to children but is easily accessible to Staff. The first aid kit was not audited on this date because a virtual visit was conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Correction Deadline: 2/5/2021

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage within the first year of employment.

Correction Deadline: 2/25/2021

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. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date. A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.