



**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:** 10/26/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 12:30 PM

**Departure:** 1:50 PM

**CCLC-49542**

**Sundance Academy**

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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.
10/26/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/09/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/03/2019	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- 1L/ 6wks- 18 mths	Infants	1	3	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B- 2L/ 18 mths - 35 mths	One Year Olds	1	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C- 3L/ potty trained 2's		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	D- 1R/ 3's and 4's	Three Year Olds	2	8	C	29	C	41	C	Nap
Main	E- 2R/ GA Prek-Afterschool		0	0	C	38	C	53	C	
Main	F- 3R/ GA Pre-K		0	0	C	22	C	31	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 180							
Total # Children this Date: 17			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 180							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A /1R - 3 and up	55	C
Main	Playground B/2R - 3 and up	62	C
Main	Playground C/ Back - 3 and up	60	C
Main	Playground D/1Left-6wks to 2 years	25	C
Main	Playground E- Patio/ all ages	13	C

### Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on October 26, 2020. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on October 26, 2020 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 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, <http://www.dec.al.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.

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### 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.al.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.al.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://dec.al.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.

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**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.decal.ga.gov/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@decal.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov)

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Farid Giahi, Program Official

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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)**

**N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

#### 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 visit was conducted due to the Covid-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through, there were no hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Playground was observed clean and well maintained.

#### Health and Hygiene

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

**Met**

**Comment**

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through, diapering was not directly observed, however the Director displayed proper knowledge of the rules and regulations.

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<b>591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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<b>591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

	<b>Safety</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.05 Animals</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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**Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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<b>591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)</b>	<b>Technical Assistance</b>
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**Technical Assistance**

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.

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<b>591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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**Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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<b>591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)</b>	<b>Technical Assistance</b>
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**Technical Assistance**

Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director on this date.

	<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

	<b>Staff Records</b>
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**Records Reviewed: 10**

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

Staff # 1	Met
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Staff # 2	Met
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Date of Hire: 06/08/2018

Staff # 3	Met
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Date of Hire: 05/20/2018

Staff # 4	Met
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Date of Hire: 12/01/2015

Staff # 5	Met
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Date of Hire: 04/09/2019

**Records Reviewed: 10****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 08/27/2007

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 08/27/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2020

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 10/22/2015

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 10/21/2020

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

An administrative review of records was reviewed during the virtual visit. Consultant discussed portability deadlines with the director on this date.

**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Comment**

Director provided three files for employees hired since last visit.

**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**

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

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

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