



**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:** 4/1/2022      **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit      **Arrival:** 10:30 AM      **Departure:** 11:30 AM

**CCLC-50206**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★ ★

<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.
04/01/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/09/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/06/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

**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	Infants	1	4	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play	
Main	B	One Year Olds	2	10	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Nap	
Main	C	One Year Olds	3	9	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Story	
Main	D	GA PreK	2	20	C	25	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Main	E	Two Year Olds	2	16	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Main	F	GA PreK	2	17	C	26	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			116		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0				
Modular	G	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	11	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Modular	H	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			38		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0				
Total # Children this Date:			96		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:		154		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Infant	9	C
Main	B-Toddler	30	C
Main	C-Preschool	62	C
Main	D-School Age	53	C

**Comments**

A virtual inspection was conducted on this date with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. An Administrative Review was conducted on April 1, 2022. Children's files and background checks were all reviewed. The Consultant completed exit conference virtually and a copy of licensing study/monitoring visit report was electronically emailed to the Program on April 1, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/01/2022

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



**Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:**

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

**Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA [www.decalkoala.com](http://www.decalkoala.com) with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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)

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Shannon Ozan, Program Official

Date

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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.

**591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)****Not Evaluated****Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records****Records Reviewed: 8****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met
Child # 7	Met
Child # 8	Met

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

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Correction Deadline: 8/20/2021****Corrected on 4/1/2022**

**.08(1) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that eight children's files reviewed were observed complete and well organized on this date.**

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<b>Facility</b>
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**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**

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

**Comment**

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

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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<b>Food Service</b>
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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.15(2) requires that a signed written feeding plan for children less than one (1) year of age shall be obtained from Parent(s) and that instructions from the Parent(s) shall be updated regularly as new foods are added or other dietary changes are made. The feeding plan shall be posted in the child's assigned room and must include the child's feeding schedule, the amount of formula or breast milk to be given, instructions for the introduction of solid foods, the amount of food to be given and notation of any type(s) of commercially premixed formula which may not be used in an emergency because of food allergies. It was determined, based on review of records, that the Center was lacking required information on 15 of 16 infant feeding plans reviewed, as the forms used did not contain the updated information for introduction to solid foods and developmental questions contained on the updated feeding plan, which was revised on October 1, 2020.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center Director will develop and implement a plan to obtain and post the completed feeding plan as part of the enrollment process and to have parents update the plans on a regular basis that will include center staff involved with enrollment and those working in the infant classrooms.

**Correction Deadline: 4/8/2022****Recited on 4/1/2022**

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<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

**Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

**Comment**

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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**Safety**

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

**Comment**

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

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

**Comment**

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

**Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

**Comment**

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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**Staff Records**

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**Records Reviewed: 27**

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

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 03/08/2021

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 11/01/2021

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 07/12/2019

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 04/26/2021

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 10/18/2021

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Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 01/12/2022	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 03/13/2017	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 09/13/2021	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 03/31/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 05/13/2019	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 01/10/2022	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 02/29/2016	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 07/31/2019	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 06/14/2021	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 05/24/2021	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 08/12/2016	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 09/23/2021	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 06/21/2021	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 09/07/2021	
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 01/13/2022	

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Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 07/31/2019	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 12/16/2021	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 01/15/2019	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 03/28/2017	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 10/04/2021	Met
Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 07/16/2021	Met

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6**

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

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

**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.