



**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:** 6/25/2019    **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 9:30 AM    **Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-51044**

**Milton Montessori School at Bethany Bend**

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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.
06/25/2019	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/26/2019	Initial Licensing Study	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
Building 2	A - 3 to 6 years		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Building 2	B- 3 to 6 years	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	20	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Building 2	C - 3 to 6 yrs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Building 2	D- 6wks - 18 mth	Infants and One Year Olds	2	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Music,Nap,Transitioning
Building 2	E - 1's and 2's	Two Year Olds	3	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 88			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	A Back - 6- 12 years		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	B Front - 6-12 years		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	C Downstairs/ 3- 6 years		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 49			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 47			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 137			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	81	C

### Comments

Final Renewable License issued on this date. The facility does carry Liability Insurance. Consultant discussed the importance of the Comprehensive Background Checks.

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

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.aspx> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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.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.

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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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### 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)** **Met**

**Comment**

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured.

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

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

### Facility

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

**Comment**

Final Renewable license issued on this date. The center's overall licensed capacity is 137 children.

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Correction Deadline: 5/13/2019**

**Corrected on 6/25/2019**

.26(6) - Consultant observed the toddler structure to be replaced on this date. Further the preschool school structure was observed to be sanded and repainted on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 5/13/2019**

**Corrected on 6/25/2019**

.26(8) - Consultant observed the six (6) feet between the slide and monkey bars, the slide structure with the rope ladder to be removed, and the tire swing to be removed on this date.

## Food Service

### 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/3/2019

Corrected on 6/25/2019

.18(12) - Consultant observed a four (4) foot barrier at the Kitchen door on this date.

## Health and Hygiene

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

#### Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

## 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)

Met

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. Eight (8) of eight (8) cribs were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards as they were manufactured in 2015.

## Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 24

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 10/18/2017

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 03/26/2018

**Records Reviewed: 24****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 02/06/2018	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 04/13/2018	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 11/01/2017	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 09/19/2017	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 08/09/2009	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 09/11/2018	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 09/22/2017	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 06/06/2016	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 03/22/2018	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 02/17/2012	
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 02/26/2018	
Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 04/13/2018	

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Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 10/31/2018	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 01/06/2019	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 06/03/2019	

**Records Reviewed: 24****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 11/28/2018	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 06/10/2019	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 01/02/2018	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 12/07/2018	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 07/23/2018	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 01/03/2019	
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 04/09/2018	

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 24****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Director provided two (2) file(s) for employees hired since last visit. Twenty-four (24) of twenty-four (24) 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**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.