

## 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:** 9/9/2019 Arrival: 10:00 AM Departure: 4:05 PM VisitType: Initial Licensing Study

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**Quality Rated: No** 

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Com	pliance Zone Desi	<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							
09/09/2019	Initial Licensing Study	standing, support, and deficient.							
	<u> </u>	 Good Standin	<ul> <li>ng - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>						
		Support	<ul> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.</li> </ul>						
		Deficient	<ul> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>						

#### 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 Building #96	Rm. A- Infants	Infants	2	5	С	7	С	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding,Flo or Play
Main Building #96	Rm. B- 2's Potty Trained		0	0	С	19	С	NA	NA	
Main Building #96	Rm. D- 12mth-35mth		0	0	С	19	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 45	5		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			city limited by ent Available
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 5	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 45	5		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

Playground Playground Building **Playground** Occupancy Compliance Main Building #96 Playground

Permission to operate was granted on this date. There were five children enrolled prior to the onsite inspection.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/09/2019

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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 <u>valid for thirty(30) days</u>. 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.decal.ga.gov/ 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.

#### **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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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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)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.12(2) - Please ensure all toys requiring batteries are operable.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2019

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.12(5) - Please ensure table space is provided for each child who is able to sit at a table unassisted and an appropriately sized chair or bench for each child who is not an infant and who is able to use a chair or bench.

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2019

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.12(6) -Please ensure a variety of age-appropriate toys and play materials are available in the area of science, art materials, dramatic play, musical instruments and manipulatives stored on low, open shelves accessible to children in each room or assigned area.

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2019

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

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

591-1-1-,06 Bathrooms Not Met

### **Finding**

591-1-1-.06(4) requires a Center first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that remodel or add to existing plumbing facilities, to have the bathroom area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system and requires Centers without fully enclosed bathrooms to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It was determined based on Consultant observation the bathrooms lack ventilation and the windows lacked screens for ventilation.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will fully enclose and ventilate bathroom areas, as required, and will provide adequate ventilation and sanitation in bathrooms that are not fully enclosed.

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2019

## **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.06(6) -Please ensure the bathrooms has soap, toilet tissue and single-use towels or cloth towels.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2019

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

Met

#### Comment

The program has the following capacity limitations: 38 children due to amount of sleeping equipment in classroom A.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

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

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) - Please ensure the protruding urinal screw, iron screw attachment on wall near urinal and all screws at the bottom of the toilets are removed. The dryer will be removed in the girls bathroom.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2019

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

**Not Met** 

#### **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 Consultant's observation the following hazards were observed in the outside play area:

- Active red/black ants.
- small broken tree limbs.
- -High grass.
- -Five large rocks accessible at right corner of play area.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2019

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures. Please ensure the staff are standing on the side of the diaper changing table near the sink in room A. during diapering.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.10(2) - Please ensure a sink is added to classrooms B and C prior to the enrollment of one and two year old that are not potty trained.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2019

**Technical Assistance** 

591-1-1-.10(7) - Please ensure a covered storage container for soiled items is added to room A, B, C and D.

Please label disposable container in each room.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2019

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Met

Comment

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

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)

**Technical Assistance** 

**Technical Assistance** 

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)3 - Please ensure a sheet is available for mats for the capacity of room B, C and D.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2019

**Technical Assistance** 

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)4 - Please ensure a cover is available for each mat for the classroom capacity of room B, C and D.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2019

Staff Records

**Records Reviewed: 5** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1
Date of Hire: 09/09/2019

Met

Records Reviewed: 5 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 09/09/2019

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 09/09/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2019

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 09/09/2019

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete for all employees.

#### 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met

#### Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met

#### Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

## **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.