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Date: 7/2/2020 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:20 AM **Departure:** 4:40 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
07/02/2020	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing

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 standing, support, and deficient.

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 Building	Rm. B- 4's		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main Building	Room A- 3's		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 24						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Centers Request		
Total # Children this Date: 0		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 24			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building	Playground	24	C

Comments

Permission to operate was granted on July 20, 2020 upon receipt of video showing additional toilet was installed. The license capacity is 24 children. MbPringle

7/2/20 Permission to operate was not granted on this date, the owner would like to add an additional toilet to increase the capacity of the program to 24. Provider does carry Liability Insurance. The overall capacity at this time is limited to twelve (12) children due to the limited number of toilets in close proximity to the licensed rooms.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/02/2020

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

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.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: <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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Angelique Jackson, Program Official

Date

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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(5) - Please add two (2) additional chairs and one (1) table to classroom A. Also, classroom B will need an additional five (5) chairs to support the overall licensed capacity of the facility.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2020

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(6) - Please add additional age-appropriate materials in the areas of art and dramatic play to both classroom A and B. These materials should be varied and stored on low open shelves in order to be accessible to the children in care.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2020

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(1) requires the center to provide a specified minimum number of flush toilets and hand washing sinks with running water for the use of all children, at least one flush toilet for children. It was determined based on Consultant's observation that only one (1) working toilet was present in the facility for children's use, when two (2) are required for the licensed capacity of the facility.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Per the director/owner the facility will remove one of the sinks in the bathroom and add an additional toilet. Further a partition will be added in between the toilets to ensure children have privacy as required by rule. 7/20/20 Consultant reviewed email with attachment showing an additional toilet was added and operable via video. The capacity of the center is (24) twenty-four children based on the number of toilets and sinks.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2020

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's observation the exhaust fan wasn't functioning properly. It failed the tissue test.

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. The exhaust fan will be repaired and or replaced.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2020

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

The program has the following capacity limitations: Center license capacity increased to (24) twenty-four children on July 20, 2020 upon receipt of video showing an additional toilet was added and operable.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(17) requires that the Center premises be free of plants and shrubs which are poisonous or hazardous. It was determined based on observation vegetation and thorny plants were growing through the back and left side fencing.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The harmful item will be removed.

Correction Deadline: 7/2/2020

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(6) - Classroom A and B use hooks for individual cubbie space for the children. Classroom A needs seven (7) additional hooks and classroom B needs eight (8) additional hooks to support the overall licensed capacity of the facility.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2020

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on Consultant's observation rust spots were observed on the fence clamps and gate latches.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use. All rust spots and vegetation will be removed.

Correction Deadline: 7/2/2020

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on Consultant's observation the following hazards on the equipment:

- Exposed concrete at the bottom of the pink and blue spinners.
- Worn and broken boards on the base of the pink/blue activity truck.
- An open space that would allow the children to climb thru accessible to the children.
- Rust on the screws.
- Playground lacked a variety of toys/equipment.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters. The exposed concrete will be covered with mulch, open space enclosed with a board to make inaccessible and screws painted to remove rust. The playground does not contain climbing equipment/swings.

The program will be utilizing portable equipment, such as hula-hoops, balls, riding cars, bikes, and will have planned activities for the children to participate in.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2020

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 space:

- Mushrooms were present in the play space.
- Exposed tree roots
- High grass
- Large rocks
- Cracked gutter routers
- Two large protruding nails on the left side of the border surrounding the play area
- Low hanging tree branches
- Active ants in the grass

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove all hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards. The grass and hanging tree branches will be cut, remove all mushrooms and large rock, cracked gutters will be replaced, protruding nail will be hammered down into the border and the playground will be treated for ants.

Correction Deadline: 7/2/2020

Food Service

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

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Met**

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized. A thermometer will be added to the freezer.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

There were no children enrolled in the program on this date. This program only serve Preschool students.

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.27 requires each Center to post in a designated area for public viewing near the front entrance the following: the Center's current License or Permit; a copy of these rules; a copy of the current communicable disease chart; a statement allowing Parent(s) access to all child care areas upon notifying any staff member of his or her presence; names of persons responsible for the administration of the Center in the administrator's absence; the dated current week's menu for meals and snacks; emergency plans for severe weather, fire, and other emergency situations; a statement requiring visitors to check in with Staff when entering the Center; no smoking signs; and a notice provided by the Department which advises Parents of their right to review a copy of the Center's most recent licensure evaluation report upon request to the Center Director. The Center shall provide any Parent with a copy of this evaluation report upon request. It was determined based on Consultant's observation, the center lacked all of the required posted notices on this date such as:

-A copy of the rules and regulations.

-Communicable disease chart.

-A statement allowing Parent(s) access to all child care areas upon notifying any staff member of his or her presence.

-Names of persons responsible for the administration of the Center in the administrator's absence.

-Date current week's menu for meals and snacks.

-A statement requiring visitors to check in with Staff when entering the Center.

-Notice provided by the Department which advises Parents of their right to review a copy of the Center's most recent licensure evaluation report upon request to the Center Director.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will post the notices as required and ensure they remain posted.

Correction Deadline: 7/2/2020

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting**Met****Comment**

Discussed reporting requirements with the Director during the reviewing of Plan of Improvement..

Safety

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. The center's discipline policy was reviewed on this date. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the director 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)

Not Met

Comment

The center is not serving infants.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(b) - Please ensure an additional twelve cots/mats are added in room B .

Correction Deadline: 7/2/2020

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)3 requires that sheets or similar coverings for cots or mats shall either be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If marked for individual use, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed. It was determined based on Consultant's observation the center lacked seven sheets in room A and an additional twelve sheets for room B to meet the licensed capacity.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that sheets are marked for individual use or washed daily and that marked sheets are washed at least weekly.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2020

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)4 requires that a light cover be available for each child's use on a cot or mat and shall be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If marked for individual use, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed. It was determined based on Consultant's observation Room A lacked eleven covers and room B will add (12) twelve covers to meet the licensed capacity.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that a light cover is available for each child and will meet the requirements for laundering.

Correction Deadline: 7/2/2020

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 06/20/2020

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 06/20/2020

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 06/20/2020

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Met

Comment

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

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper ratios and classroom capacities were discussed with the director on this date.

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

Met

Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, was discussed with the director on this date.