



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 5/13/2020 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 4:30 PM

CCLC-52620

Grace Learning Center

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

| Compliance Zone Designation | | |
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| 05/13/2020 | 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 |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|----------|------|-----------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| Building II | Room G | | 0 | 0 | C | 75 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 75 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | | 0 | |
| Main | Room A - 1L | | 0 | 0 | C | 32 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | Room B - 2L/3L | | 0 | 0 | C | 31 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | Room C - 4L | | 0 | 0 | C | 40 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | Room D - 3R | | 0 | 0 | C | 19 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | Room E - 2R | | 0 | 0 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | Room F - 1R | | 0 | 0 | C | 15 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 155 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | | 0 | |
| Total # Children this Date: 0 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 230 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | | 0 | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Building II | Playground F | 112 | C |
| Main | Playground A (1st left) | 14 | C |
| Main | Playground B (second left) | 19 | C |
| Main | Playground C (Large back left) | 64 | C |
| Main | Playground D (Outside of class D) | 8 | C |

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| Main | Playground E (right of class E) | 6 | C |
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Comments


This visit was conducted as a VIRTUAL visit.

This center is pending permanent licensing and being placed on a temporary license on this date. The center is awaiting the fire marshal's final report as well as the water sewer bill for building II. This facility carries liability insurance. Once the final fire inspection is turned into the consultant a permanent licensed will be issued.

Congratulations! This facility was granted permission to operate on June 10, 2020.

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/> 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@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.

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.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

Tarnisha Scott, Program Official

Date

Angela Byrd, Consultant

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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**

On this date, Consultant observed equipment, furniture and toys throughout the Center, to be non - hazardous, fully - secured, and not able to cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over.

Correction Deadline: 5/13/2020

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

On this date, the center's owner stated that the program will not participate in Swimming/water activities, in water measuring two (2) feet in depth or greater. Consultant discussed Swimming/water requirements with owner prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to owner that prior to participating in Swimming/water activities, in any type of equipment holding water two (2) feet in depth or greater, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review Swimming/water activity Rules.

Facility**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure ventilation is added to each of the bathrooms.

Correction Deadline: 6/12/2020

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

The program has a capacity of 230 occupants.

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

Center appears clean and well maintained on this date.

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

This was a virtual visit. Consultant discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Health and Hygiene

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

There were no children enrolled in the program on this date. Proper diaper facilities were observed with warm running water and proper window ventilation. Consultant discussed with the owner windows would need to be open during diapering year round. Consultant also discussed with the owner about adding ventilation to the diapering rooms.

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 owner on this date.

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

Owner stated that no medications are being administered at this time. Consultant discussed medication requirements with owner, prior to the visit and on this date.

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 owner on this date.

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

A current/completed inspection was observed for four (4) buses, all vehicles used in transporting children on this date. A current/completed inspection needs to be completed and submitted to the Bright from the Start regional consultant before transportation is conducted using any other vehicle than the vehicles listed below.

Consultant observed the following vehicle inspection for the following buses with tag number ending in:

GX5376 - Expiring July 29, 2020

SH2263 - Expiring July 22, 2020

WQ6935 - Expiring July 25, 2020

XX7172 - Expiring July 23, 2020

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

On this date, consultant observed 12 cribs used for sleeping and resting, to meet Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards. Consultant also discussed all Infant Safe Sleeping and Resting requirements with owner, prior to the visit and on this date.

Correction Deadline: 5/23/2020

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

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|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 11/30/2012 | Met |
| Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 03/13/2017 | Met |
| Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 11/15/2018 | Met |
| Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 01/22/2019 | Met |
| Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 03/19/2020 | Met |

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Comment

On this date, consultant observed a Satisfactory Gelmato COGENT Criminal Records Check Determination letter, regarding 14 Center Employees. Consultant also discussed all Gelmato COGENT Criminal Records Check requirements with center owner, prior to the visit and on this date.

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.

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations on this date.

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

A supervision plan was created on this date for Playground C due to the shape.

Comment

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