



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 8/25/2020    **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 10:45 AM    **Departure:** 2:45 PM

**CCLC-52977**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
08/25/2020	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	A - (1R)1-2 yrs	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	7	C	7	C	NA	NA	Nap,Centers,Lunch
Main	B - (back) 6wks- 18 mths	Three Year Olds	1	1	C	5	C	NA	NA	Nap,Lunch
Main	C - (1L) 3yrs	Infants	1	1	C	14	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Feeding,Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Health Department Limitations				
Total # Children this Date: 9			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A/6 wks-3 yrs	21	C

**Comments**

A Temporary Licesned was issued on this date. Pending annual Fire Inspection, Certificate of Occupancy, Environmental Health Inspection and letter for septic tank capacity. Facility does not carry Liability Insurance. An Administrative Review was conducted on (insert date). Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on August 25, 2020 and the exit conference was conducted on site with the owner. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 18, 2020 was reviewed during the inspection and discussed during the exit conference.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/25/2020

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.dec.al.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.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.al.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://dec.al.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).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov)

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Marlena Hunter, 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)** **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**

A Temporary License issued on this date, pending Fire Inspection, issuance of new Certificate of Occupancy, and septic letter from the Environmental Health Department.

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

**Comment**

Center appears clean and well maintained.

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

**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 observation that the ground was uneven next to the cement slab creating a tripping hazard.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will add mulch around the cement slab so that it is even and flush with the ground.

## Health and Hygiene

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

Met

**Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

Met

**Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

**Comment**

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

## 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. One (1) crib 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 September of 2011. Mats were observed for the remainder capacity of the classroom. Consultant discussed with the Owner about purchasing more cribs prior to enrolling more infants.

## Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 07/06/2020

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 08/10/2020

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 08/10/2020

**Records Reviewed: 5**

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

Staff # 4 Met  
Date of Hire: 08/17/2020

Staff # 5 Met  
Date of Hire: 08/10/2020

**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. Five (5) of five (5) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met**

**Comment**

591-1-1-.33(4) - Consultant discussed obtaining the Nutrition training for the Center Director and the Cook.

**Correction Deadline: 9/24/2020**

**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**

A supervision plan was created on this date for the cubbies located in the hallway. A supervision plan was also created for the bathroom located in the hallway.

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.