



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/16/2021 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 11:30 AM

CCLC-53498

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
06/16/2021	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/22/2020	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	A-1st Right Back 1-Year-Old	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	3	C	10	C	NA	NA	Art
Main Building	Room A 1st Right Front 2-Year-Old		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main Building	Room B 1st Left 3-4-Year Old Children		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main Building	Room C Middle Multipurpose Room	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Homework
Main Building	Room D Back Left Infants		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 50						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 9						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance

Comments

Congratulations! Permission to Operate granted on this date. The compliance with the Executive Order issued on March 31, 2021 was reviewed during the inspection and discussed during the exit conference on June 17, 2021. The provider does not carry liability insurance. The consultant observed the notice during the visit. The exit Conference was conducted as a telephone conference June 17, 2021 due to COVID-19(pandemic). An Administrative Review was completed June 15-16, 2021.

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.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.

- 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

Feltonisha Butts, Program Official

Date

Melissa McFarlin, 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, the 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.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, the Center Director/Administrator stated that the program will not participate in Swimming activities. Consultant discussed Swimming requirements with Center Director/Administrator, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to Center Director/Administrator that prior to participating in Swimming activities, in 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 Rules.

Comment

On this date, the pool was not in use and observed to be locked with a six (6) foot gate.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.06 - The center will ensure soap, tissue and all necessary supplies are available for the children using the bathrooms located near the multi-use area classroom and all bathrooms throughout the center.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will monitor the bathrooms for necessary supplies. The center will ensure soap and tissue is available for the children using the bathrooms located near the multi-use area classroom and all bathrooms throughout the center.

Correction Deadline: 1/21/2021

Corrected on 6/16/2021

.06(4) -The Center has working ventilation in the bathroom located near the multi purpose area classroom, as required to provide adequate ventilation and sanitation in bathrooms.

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center. The total licensed capacity of the Center measured at ninety two (92) children, based on previously approved measurements of six (6) of six (6) classrooms. The Multi-purpose Classroom was measured by the director during the virtual visit December 15, 2020, the classroom added to the overall capacity, this is a special use room.

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

591-1-1-.25(3) - The consultant discussed with the center director to ensure all areas of the center are kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. The center will reorganize the Pre-K and After-school Classrooms to ensure children are comfortably housed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will routinely check the center to ensure all areas of the center are kept clean, organized and free of debris and in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 6/16/2021**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) -On this date, the ceiling tile in the bathroom located in the two (2) year-old classroom was missing near the sink. The ceiling tile serves as a protective barrier in case of fire and supports air flow. The center will regularly check and ensure the ceiling tile in the bathrooms, and other areas of the center are well maintained and replaced as needed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will regularly check and ensure the ceiling tiles in the bathrooms, kitchen and the classrooms are well maintained and replaced as needed.

Correction Deadline: 6/16/2021

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

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the resilient surface in the fall zone from the climbing equipment, swings and slide on the after-school playground and swinging equipment on the 3-4-year-old playground did not have the required six (6) inches of resilient surfacing beneath or covering the required radius conducive to the play equipment.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency. The center will ensure the resilient surface in the fall zone from the climbing equipment, swings and slide on the after-school playground and swinging equipment on the 3-4-year-old playground have the required six (6) inches of resilient surfacing beneath and covering the required radius needed for the play equipment.

Correction Deadline: 6/26/2021**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(9) - The center will ensure the playgrounds, play structures and fencing are free of plant growth and shrubbery.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will routinely check the playground area and remove plant growth from play areas, play structures and fencing.

Correction Deadline: 6/16/2021

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.18(4) - The Center will repair or install a shield on the kitchen light in the pantry area, as it is required that kitchen lights are shielded.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check, repair or install shields on kitchen lights, as it is required that kitchen lights are shielded.

Correction Deadline: 6/26/2021

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

On this date, the staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, proper hand washing was observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, the consultant observed Department - approved medication authorization forms that the Center will use as required. The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

On this date, the center did not have animals on the premises.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, the staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

On this date, the Center Director and Owner stated that the Center will not provide Field Trips at this time. The consultant discussed with Center Director and Owner, all requirements needed in order to conduct field trips with children. Consultant also stated to Center Director and Owner that prior to conducting Field Trips, the Center is required to complete and maintain documentation of current CPR and First - Aid Training, as well as two (2) clock hours of Transportation Training, regarding the Center Director and all Center Staff participating in any aspect of Transportation, and ensure all Transportation/Field Trip checklists/forms and vehicle requirements are met. Further, Consultant stated to Center Director and Owner, that prior to conducting Field Trips, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review all Field Trip requirements.

Comment

On this date, the Center Director and Owner stated that the Center will not provide routine Transportation and Field Trips at this time. Consultant discussed with Center Director and Owner, all requirements needed in order to transport and conduct field trips with children. Consultant also stated to Center Director and Owner that prior to providing Transportation and/or Field Trips, the Center is required to complete and maintain documentation of current CPR and First - Aid Training, as well as two (2) clock hours of Transportation Training, regarding the Center Director and all Center Staff participating in any aspect of Transportation, and ensure all Transportation/Field Trip checklists/forms and vehicle requirements are met. Further, Consultant stated to Center Director and Owner, that prior to providing Transportation and/or Field Trips, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review all Transportation and Field Trip requirements.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

On this date, consultant observed six (6) of six (6) cribs in the infant classroom used for sleeping and resting, to meet Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards. The manufacturing date for five (5) cribs was dated April 2012 and the manufacturing date for one (1) crib was dated December 2012. Consultant also discussed all Infant Safe Sleeping and Resting requirements with Center Director, prior to the visit.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 - The center will ensure that mats are in good repair and repair or replace any mats that have tears or rips exposing the foam underneath the washable material. The center will remove the mats in the two year-old classroom that are not in good repair.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will routinely check the condition of the mats. The center will repair and replace mats that are not in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 6/16/2021

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
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Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 12/22/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 05/11/2020	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 10/30/2019	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 09/18/2020	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 09/18/2020	

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 05/20/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 7

Met

Date of Hire: 09/18/2020

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

Met

Comment

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) - On this date, seven (7) of seven (7) staff Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 6/16/2021

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/21/2021

Corrected on 6/16/2021

.14(1) - The center director has completed the cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, the staff was 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

On this date, the center was observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

December 22, 2020, the Consultant obtained a signed and dated written Supervision Plan from the Center, regarding the bathrooms located in the hallway of the Mutil-purpose area. Staff will ensure adequate supervision is provided when children ages three (3) to twelve (12) use the bathroom. A Supervision plan was created June 16, 2021 for the children in the second building, staff will ensure adequate supervision is provided when Pre-K and Afterschool children use the bathroom located in the hallway of the Mutil-purpose area in the main building.