

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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Arrival: 9:30 AM Date: 3/23/2021 VisitType: Initial Licensing Study Departure: 11:55 AM

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Com	pliance Zone Desig	<u>ınation</u>		ne Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring ains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good			
03/23/2021	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	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

Total # Children this Date: 83

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	4th RT/350PreK2	PreK	2	15	С	20	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	A- Infants(1st LF/100)	Infants	2	6	С	27	С	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	B- Toddlers(2nd Lft/150)	One Year Olds	4	11	С	25	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C- (3rd LF) AS		0	0	С	52	С	NA	NA	
Main	D-Back Middle-GA PreK1	PreK	2	16	С	25	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	F- 4 year old(3rd RT/300)	Four Year Olds	1	9	С	24	С	NA	NA	Art
Main	G- 3 year old (2nd RT/250)	Three Year Olds	2	13	С	23	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	H- 2 year old (1st RT/200)	Two Year Olds	3	13	С	23	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Outdoor Class Area		0	0	С	0	С	NA	NA	
Main	Picnic Area		0	0	С	0	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 219			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant Playground	20	С
Main	Main Playground	157	С
Main	Toddler Playground	40	С

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 219

Total Capacity @25 sq.

ft.: 0

Comments

Permission to Operate was granted on this date. This owner carries liability insurance. COVID-19 guidelines were discussed with the director during the visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/22/2021

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 <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: 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)

Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning





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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Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

Michelle Hamilton, Program Official	Date	Margaret Pringle, Consultant	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(2) - Please ensure that rust is removed from chair legs and stoppers in all rooms.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2021

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(6) - Please ensure a variety of age-appropriate toys and play materials be available in the following rooms:

- Art materials in Suite 150.
- Puzzles in the gym for the school ages.
- Art materials, blocks and musical instruments in Suite 200.
- Science in Suite 250.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2021

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

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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 observation the bathrooms in Suite 150 and Suite 200 were not fully enclosed and lacked adequate ventilation. Consultant also observed and tested the exhaust fans in Suite 250, 300, 350, 400 and the gym they all were operable but failed the tissue test.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will fully enclose and ventilate bathroom areas, in Suite 150 and Suite 200 as required, and will provide adequate ventilation and sanitation in bathrooms that are not fully enclosed.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2021

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

Met

Comment

591-1-1-.19(1) - The license capacity is 219 children.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2021

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

Met

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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. It was determined based on observation the new fencing installed to enclosed the outside classroom and the picnic area near playground C had several screw protrusion on the fence gate and corner poles accessible to the children in care. Consultant also observed a (2) two inch gap between the brick wall and the fencing on Playground A and a (21/2) two in a half inch gap between the building and the fence pole near the door to Suite 200.

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 cut the screws back two threads and cap if needed. A pool noodle will be added to enclosed the gaps between the fencing and the building.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2021

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(8) - Please ensure swinging equipment has the required of resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone of such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. Consultant observed the resilient materials beneath the swings measured at (2) two inches instead of the required (6) six inches. Also the swing set lacked the adequate amount of fall zone in the front , back and side of the piece of equipment, the front and back fall zones measured at (8) eight feet instead of the required (10) feet and the side of the equipment measured at (2) two feet on both sides instead of the required (6) six feet. The swings were removed during the visit. The piece of equipment will not be used until it meet all requirements.

Correction Deadline: 4/2/2021

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 the following hazards were observed:

- Bottom of gutters are enclosed to prevent the sharp edges from being accessible to the children on Playground A and B.
- Remove rust on the shade tent poles on Playground A.
- Add mulch or dirt between any uneven surfacing on Playground B and C.
- Cover concrete at the back right corner of barrier enclosing the mulch on PreK playground and back of same area on the (2tyrs thru 3yrs) playground.

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: 4/2/2021

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.18(12) prohibits children from being in the kitchen except as part of a planned, supervised learning experience. It was determined based on observation the kitchen counter measured at three feet two inches instead of the required (4) four foot in height.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that children's access to the kitchen is restricted as required. The center will add to the current barrier so it will equal to four foot in height.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2021

Health and Hygiene

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

Not Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Finding

591-1-1-.10(1) requires Centers first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that are renovated after March 1, 1991, to provide ventilation in the diapering areas with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open. It was determined based on observation in Suite 100 and Suite 150 operable windows were not being used during diapering. Suite 150 had an odor upon entrance into the room.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The responsible person(s) at the center will ensure that the exhaust fans and duct systems are functioning or that the required amount of operable window space is provided in each diapering area.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2021

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a walk through on this date.

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

Met

Comment

The Applicant currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position. Twelve (12) of twelve (12) cribs were present meeting CPSC guidelines as they were manufactured in 2012. There was one infant observed asleep in a crib.

Finding

591-1-1-30(4). requires that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags. It was determined based on observation the mats are accessible to the children under the cubbies in Suite 350.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will store cots and mats so children do not have access to them and they don't take up play space and will store them so each child's bedding is separate from the others. The director submitted a picture showing the mats covered with a sheet.

Correction Deadline: 3/24/2021

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 19 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 03/30/2012

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Records Reviewed: 19	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0			
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 10/05/2020	Met			
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 05/04/2017	Met			
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 11/09/2020	Met			
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 03/22/2021	Met Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired			
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 12/21/2020	Met			
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 07/10/2018	Met			
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 07/27/2020	Met			
Staff # 10	Met			
Staff # 11	Met			
Staff # 12	Met			
Staff # 13	Met			
Staff # 14	Met			
Staff # 15	Met			
Staff # 16	Met			
Staff # 17	Met			
Staff # 18	Met			
Staff # 19	Met			
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 11				
591-1-109 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

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.

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