



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 1/21/2020 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:25 AM **Departure:** 11:30 AM

**CCLC-937**

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**Quality Rated:** ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
01/21/2020	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
11/05/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
10/29/2019	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	

**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	1st Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	C	22	C	31	C	Centers
Main	1st Right	Infants	2	9	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding, Nap
Main	2nd Left	PreK	2	16	C	19	C	27	C	Centers
Main	2nd Right	One Year Olds	1	8	C	18	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	3rd Left	PreK	2	17	C	27	C	38	C	Centers, Art
Main	3rd Right	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers, Art
Main	4th Right	PreK	2	15	C	32	C	NA	NA	Centers, Art
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 157					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 185					
Total # Children this Date: 92			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 157			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 185				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- Left and Rear Playground	90	C
Main	PG- Right	62	C

**Comments**

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.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

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.

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#### 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.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.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.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.

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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.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.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.ga.gov)

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Brenda Warren, Program Official

Date

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

### Activities and Equipment

#### 591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Technical Assistance

##### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(2) - The consultant discussed with the director to replace the peeling tape on the vinyl furniture in the 2nd Left Classroom on this date. The director stated that new furniture has been ordered and the vinyl couch will be replaced.

Correction Deadline: 1/21/2020

### Facility

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

Technical Assistance

##### Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

##### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - The consultant discussed with the director to ensure the baseboards were attached to the wall, as the baseboard was observed loose along the right wall near the back door in the 2nd Right Classroom on this date. The director taped the baseboard to the wall and stated that maintenance will repair the baseboard and reattach it to the wall this week.

Correction Deadline: 1/21/2020

### Food Service

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/29/2019

##### Corrected on 1/21/2020

.15(4) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that all infants were observed strapped in the high chairs in the 1st Right Classroom on this date.

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

591-1-1-.13(2)- The citation was deferred due to the center not having any field trips since the field trip to Steed's Dairy Farm on October 28, 2019. The rule will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit after the center's scheduled field trip to the Strawberry Patch in Spring 2020.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Center Staff will have and use a system to obtain written field trip permission in advance and ensure the permission is signed and dated by the responsible person.

**Correction Deadline: 10/29/2019**