



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 10/6/2022 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:20 AM **Departure:** 1:35 PM

CCLC-57570

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
10/06/2022	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	
			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
Bldg.1	1A		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Bldg.1	1-B		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 16			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 34							
Bldg.2-A	2-A		0	0	C	18	C	26	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 18			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 34							
Total # Children this Date: 0			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 34			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 34				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Bldg.1	Bldg.1 Playground	69	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on October 3, 2022. Staff files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on October 6, 2022. Permission to Operate issued on this date. Facility does not carry Liability Insurance.

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



Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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)

Shianna Scruggs, Program Official

Date

Shantreze Anderson, 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)

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. No pool observed on site.

Facility

591-1-1.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The Center does not have ventilation in the bathrooms of Buildings one (1) and Building two (2).

Correction Deadline: 11/5/2022

591-1-1.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

PTO was granted, the overall capacity is 16 for Building one (1) and 25 for Building two (2). Building two (2) capacity is limited to 25 due to Fire Marshall approval.

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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Technical Assistance

The playground area has exposed tree roots. Consultant and owner discussed routinely monitoring the playground to remove hazards.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2022

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

Staff stated proper procedures. Sinks with warm running water observed adjacent to proper diapering surfaces in all classrooms approved for diapering.

Comment

Classroom C of Building one (1) does not have exhaust fans or the required amount of operable window space for the diapering area.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2022

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Proper handwashing of children and staff was discussed with the owner during the inspection visit.

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

Discussed medication documentation, administration and storage.

Safety**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Consultant discussed appropriate discipline and guidance techniques with the owner.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation or field trips. 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) hours transportation training prior to transporting children.

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

Four (4) of Four (4) cribs were 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 2022. Consultant discussed safe sleeping requirements with the owner during the inspection visit.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 3****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

Met

Records Reviewed: 3

Date of Hire: 10/03/2022

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 10/03/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 3

Date of Hire: 10/03/2022

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Not Met

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

Met

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 0****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Three (3) of three (3) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2 requires the Director to possess at least one of the sets of minimum academic requirements and qualifying child care experience listed in Rule 591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2.(i-xiii). It was determined based on review of staff files the center director does not meets the minimum education and work requirements.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director meets the minimum education and work requirements and secure the necessary documentation.

Correction Deadline: 10/4/2022**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.

Supervision plans were created for Building 1, Classrooms A and C. Supervision Plans were created for Building 2, Classroom A and the route to the playground from Classroom A.

Building 1

Classroom A:

While diapering, the teacher(s) will position themselves to have a watchful eye over the children in care.

Classroom C:

Due to the restroom locating being next to the classroom, the teacher will supervise the children during restroom breaks.

Building 2

Classroom A:

Due to the shape of the Classroom A, the teacher(s) will position themselves to have a watchful eye over the children in care.

Due to the shape of Playground A, the teacher(s) will position themselves to have a watchful eye over the children in care.

Playground Route:

Due to the playground route teacher(s) will have a watchful eye over the children.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

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