

# 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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#### **Cover Sheet**

Date: 3/31/2021 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 1:00 PM Departure: 2:30 PM

CCLC-1007 Regional Consultant

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Compliance Zone Designation				
03/31/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
09/04/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
01/28/2020	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

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
2nd Building	F-GA Pre-K	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	21	С	NA	NA	Nap
2nd Building	G-After School		0	0	С	32	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 53	3		Total C ft.: 171	apacity @	25 sq.			
Main	A- 1st Right		0	0	С	28	С	NA	NA	
Main	B- 1st Right	One Year Olds	2	10	С	11	С	NA	NA	Nap,Transitionin
Main	B- Back Right	Two Year Olds	1	9	С	11	С	NA	NA	Nap,Transitionin
Main	C- 2nd Right		0	0	С	25	С	NA	NA	
Main	D- End of Hall		0	0	С	31	С	44	С	
Main	E- 1st Left	Infants	3	8	С	12	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	18		Total C ft.: 171	apacity @	25 sq.			

Total # Children this Date: 40 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 171

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BuildingPlayground<br/>OccupancyPlayground<br/>ComplianceMain3-5 Yr. Playground50CMainInfant/Toddler<br/>Playground77C

Main Older Playground 88 C

#### Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on March 30, 2021 Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on March 31, 2021 with the Provider. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on February 15, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Additionally, Consultant discussed Rule changes that took effect on October 1, 2020 and emailed the Provider handouts with Frequently Asked Questions and related resources.

Consultant e-mailed the provider a copy of the COVID-19 Guidance for Georgia Childcare Facilities, Interim Guidance as of December 14, 2020

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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 New Deadlines:**

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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 information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.		which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-	mail the following
Facility name, license number and visit date     Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-     Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting	-mail address & up to two		
Refutations must be submitted to Child Care S	ervices (CCS) within 10 bo	usiness days of the completion date.	
A sample form for submitting a refutation can be	pe found at: http://decal.ga	a.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformatio	n.aspx
Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate about this process, contact our office at 404-65		vill follow up with you about your concerns. If	you have any questions
Bright from the Start recommends that all licer do not have this liability insurance, you are recparent or guardian of each child in care in writifile at the program at all times while the child a 20-1A-4)	quired to post a notice with ing, obtain their signature	½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the to acknowledge receipt and maintain this writt	e program, notify the ten acknowledgment on
Stephen Wright, Program Official	Date	Chasity Baugh, Consultant	Date
Karyn Presley, Consultant	Date		



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## The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

# **Activities and Equipment**

591-1-1-.03 Activities Technical Assistance

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed the following the following rule with the Provider, 591-1-1-.03(12) requires Center Staff to provide supervised nap or rest periods during the day for children under five years of age and to provide quiet activities for School-age Children and other children who are not asleep. Center Staff shall not require children who do not sleep during nap or rest periods to remain lying down for more than one hour.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2021

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

Met

#### Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Correction Deadline: 1/28/2020

#### Corrected on 3/31/2021

.19(1) - Previous citation was corrected in that license capacities were met for all classrooms on this date.

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)

Met

#### Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

591-1-1-.26 – Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards: - Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys. Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area. Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.). Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area. Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather.

**Food Service** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed new revision to restricted food rule which states: Foods that are associated with young children's choking incidents, such as, but not limited to, peanuts, hot dogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, cheese cubes, grapes and any other food that is of similar shape and size of the trachea/windpipe shall not be served to the children less than four (4) years of age. Children older than four (4) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking.

Please ensure the new updated infant feeding form is used. Discussed revision to the written feeding plans for children under the age of 1 years old. Age-appropriate solid foods (including cereal) shall not be given to infants or children less than one (1) year of age until recommended as developmentally appropriate by the child's primary care physician and indicated in writing by the Parent(s). As soon as the feeding plan indicates that a child is ready for solid foods, the child shall be fed from individual spoons and individual containers or dishes. A child shall not be fed directly from the original baby food container if the contents are to be fed to the child at more than one (1) meal or to more than one (1) child.

## **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/28/2020

## Corrected on 3/31/2021

.10(4) - Previous citation was corrected in that diaper changing surfaces were smooth and nonporous.

## 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 virtual walk through on this date.

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

Met

#### Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

## **Policies and Procedures**

#### 591-1-1-.22 Parental Access

Met

#### Comment

Consultant discussed the following rule with the Provider, 591-1-1-.22 requires the Center to permit the custodial Parent(s) of the child access to all child care areas of the Center at any time the child is in attendance. The custodial Parent(s) shall make his or her presence known to Center Staff prior to removing the child from the Center.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2021

### 591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

#### Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

#### Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Met

#### Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Provider 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

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Transportation vehicles was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper seat restraints, Firsthand Kit, 1st & 2nd Checks of vehicles were discussed with the Director/Provider on this date.

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

# Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

#### Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

## **Records Reviewed: 21** Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Staff # 1 Met Staff # 2 Met Staff #3 Met Staff #4 Met v1.03

Records Reviewed: 21	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 07/01/2018	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 10/14/2019	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 08/01/2019	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 07/05/2016	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 07/30/2018	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 08/08/2014	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 10/01/2012	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 07/29/2018	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 05/24/2011	
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 06/01/2007	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 10/10/1992	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6	

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

#### Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 2020.

# **Staffing and Supervision**

## 591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed new revision to the supervision rule which states: Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger.