

# 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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Date: 8/2/2023 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 10:10 AM Departure: 12:40 PM

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# **Quality Rated:**



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					
08/02/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	standing, support, and deficient.					
01/18/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Good Standing -	Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.				
08/02/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	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.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A (Behind Office)	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	С	10	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B (Middle)		0	0	С	9	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C (Right Far)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	С	12	С	17	С	Free Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 31			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Ch	nildren this Date: 13	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 3	31		Total C	Capacity @	25 sq.			

Building Playground		Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd-main	40	С

# Comments

Monitoring visit completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/02/2023

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).

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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

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 <u>www.decalkoala.com</u> 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)





# **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 <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

Kim Caldwell, Program Official	Date	April Brown, Regional Consultant	Date

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# (Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# Activities and Equipment

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

**Comment**Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable on this date.

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

N/A

## Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Evening Care** 

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

Met

## Comment

No evening care hours provided.

**Facility** 

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

Met

# Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by the center on this date.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

# **Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children as required.

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Correction Deadline: 8/2/2023

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/28/2023

Corrected on 8/2/2023

Correction of citation in that playground equipment was in good repair on this date. The director reported that strings have been ordered for the blue basketball goal.

Correction Deadline: 1/20/2023

Corrected on 8/2/2023

Correction of citation in that the playground area was clean and free of hazards on this date.

# Health and Hygiene

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date.

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

Met

# Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

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

N/A

## Comment

The center currently does not dispense or administer medication at this time.

Safety

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

Met

# Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date.

# 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

#### Comment

A current and completed inspection was observed for the vehicle used in transporting children on this date. Vehicle with tag number ending in C4637 was completed on April 19, 2023.

#### Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date. Reminder, please add protective eye wear.

Correction Deadline: 1/19/2023

# Corrected on 8/2/2023

Correction of citation in that the driver or other designated person documented in writing the time of arrival and departure for the week of May 8, 2023 and May 15, 2023.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

**Technical Assistance** 

# Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with the infant staff member and director on this date.

# **Technical Assistance**

Please ensure the white crib in the infant room is free of chipped paint. Currently, it was not in use by any infant in care.

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# Staff Records

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

Met

#### Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since the last visit which was completed on January 18, 2023.

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

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

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.31(11) requires the Center to have qualified and sufficient direct-care, clerical, housekeeping, maintenance and other employees to ensure full compliance with these rules without neglecting the supervision of children. It was determined based on observation there were two staff members present and not sufficient direct-care staff members for children in care.

# **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that an adequate number of qualified employees is available to ensure full compliance with these rules without neglecting the supervision of the children.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2023

# **Staffing and Supervision**

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

Met

#### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

## **Technical Assistance**

Please ensure children are supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. 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.

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