



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 7/9/2024 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:20 PM

**CCLC-63438**

**My Little School**

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Same

**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. |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 07/09/2024                  | Initial Licensing Study | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                             |                         |               | <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.                                                                                                                |

**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 Building                 | Room A |           | 0                              | 0        | C                             | 22         | C            | NA         | NA           |       |
| Main Building                 | Room B |           | 0                              | 0        | C                             | 12         | C            | NA         | NA           |       |
| Main Building                 | Room C |           | 0                              | 0        | C                             | 17         | C            | NA         | NA           |       |
| Main Building                 | Room D |           | 0                              | 0        | C                             | 15         | C            | NA         | NA           |       |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:   |        |           | 66                             |          | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |            |              |            |              |       |
| Total # Children this Date: 0 |        |           | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 66 |          | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |            |              |            |              |       |

| Building      | Playground      | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main Building | Main Playground | 29                   | C                     |

**Comments**

An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on July 9, 2024. The exit conference was conducted in person on July 9, 2024, with the Director/Owner. Permission to Operate was not granted on this date. Consultant is waiting on the final certificate of occupancy to be issued by the City of Columbus. Once the final document is obtain permission to operate will be granted. Facility does not carry Liability Insurance. A sign was posted on the posted notice board.

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA [www.decalkoala.com](http://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.

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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 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.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**



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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.

**Correction Deadline: 7/9/2024**

**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**

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Please ensure that the ventilation in all bathrooms are pulling properly. On this date, consultant observed that ventilation in all bathrooms was on but not pulling the tissue properly during the tissue test.

**Correction Deadline: 8/8/2024**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Overall capacity 66. TL was issued on this date. Once certificate of occupancy is received, consultant will issue license.

**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.

**Health and Hygiene**

**Comment**

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

**Technical Assistance**

Consultant and director/owner discussed that diapering areas requires 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 on this date exhaust fans in infant Rooms B, C, and D were working but not pulling the tissue properly during the tissue test.

**Correction Deadline: 7/9/2024**

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

Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the (director/owner) on this date.

**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 or director).

**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**

Consultant observed Fourteen (14) of fourteen (14) cribs meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards manufactured in (2023/2024). Consultant discussed safe sleeping requirements with the director/owner during the inspection visit.

**Staff Records****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Six (6) of six (6) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR****Met****Comment**

Please ensure that the Center have a first aid kit in building that contains scissors, tweezers, gauze pads, adhesive tape, thermometer, band-aids, assorted sizes, antibacterial ointment, insect-sting preparation, an antiseptic cleansing solution, triangular bandages, rubber gloves, protective eye wear, a protective face mask, and a cold pack. The first aid kit, together with a first aid instruction manual which must be kept with the kit at all times, shall be stored so that it is not accessible to children but is easily accessible to Staff.

**Correction Deadline: 7/19/2024**

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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| <b>Staffing and Supervision</b> |
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**Comment**

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper ratios and classroom capacities were discussed with the director on this date.

**Comment**

A supervision plan was created on this date for the shape of the playground.

**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.