



**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:** 1/11/2024 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up

**Arrival:** 1:05 PM

**Departure:** 3:05 PM

**CCLC-1539**

**Childtime Childcare #1112**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

| Compliance Zone Designation |               |               | <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.<br><br><b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.<br><b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.<br><b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 01/11/2024                  | POI Follow Up | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 12/29/2023                  | TA Follow Up  | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 12/28/2023                  | TA Follow Up  | 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                            | A -1st Left      | Infants and Three Year Olds        | 2     | 22       | C                             | 13         | NC           | NA         | NA           | Floor Play,Nap |
| Main                            | B -1st Left-Rear | One Year Olds                      | 2     | 13       | C                             | 13         | C            | NA         | NA           | Nap            |
| Main                            | C -2nd Left      | Two Year Olds                      | 2     | 13       | C                             | 17         | C            | NA         | NA           | Nap            |
| Main                            | D - 3rd Left     | GA PreK                            | 2     | 17       | C                             | 20         | C            | NA         | NA           | Nap            |
| Main                            | E - 4th Left     | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 2     | 26       | C                             | 32         | C            | NA         | NA           | Nap            |
| Main                            | F - 2nd Right    | GA PreK                            | 2     | 18       | C                             | 32         | C            | NA         | NA           | Nap            |
| Main                            | G -1st Right     | GA PreK                            | 2     | 18       | C                             | 25         | C            | NA         | NA           | Nap            |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 152 |                  |                                    |       |          | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |            |              |            |              |                |
| Total # Children this Date: 127 |                  |                                    |       |          | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |            |              |            |              |                |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main     | Large      | 108                  | C                     |
| Main     | Small      | 20                   | C                     |

**Comments**

A POI Follow Up was conducted on January 11, 2024. Backgrounds checks were reviewed. There were eight new hires. The Consultant completed the exit conference, and a copy of the visit report was given to the Director.

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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Sylvia Lawrence, Program Official

Date

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Cassandra Jakes-Beasley, Regional Consultant

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based upon observation that the flooring in the girl's bathroom around the drain was cracked in Classroom F.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary.

Correction Deadline: 1/19/2024

Recited on 1/11/2024

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023

Corrected on 1/11/2024

.25(3) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on observation the doors to the hand washing sink in Classroom G was removed and a panel was placed in front of the lower cabinet. The broken soap dispenser was removed from the right wall by the sink in the girl's bathroom in Classroom F.

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

Not Met

Comment

Barriers were placed in between the gaps of the air conditioning unit.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based upon observation that there was loose fencing wire at the front left side of the air conditioning unit, creating a two inch gap on the large playground. In addition, there was loose pointed wire at the top of backside of the air conditioning unit.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

**Correction Deadline: 1/19/2024**

**Recited on 1/11/2024**

**Correction Deadline: 9/10/2023**

**Corrected on 1/11/2024**

**.26(6) - Previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit, in that based on observation the tricycle was removed from the playground.**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation, there was a piece of exposed concrete on the right open area of the playground, creating a possible tripping hazard.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

**Correction Deadline: 1/11/2024**

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| <b>Staffing and Supervision</b> |
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**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 9/19/2023**

**Corrected on 1/11/2024**

**.32(7) -Previous citation was observed to be corrected, in that based on observation watchful oversight was provided to children during this visit.**