Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/5/2025 **VisitType:** ILS Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:15 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
03/05/2025	ILS Follow Up	Good Standing
03/04/2025	Complaint Closure	Good Standing
02/24/2025	Complaint Investigation & Initial 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 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
Main	A - Preschool		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	B - Toddler	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C - Infants and Toddlers	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 29			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 9		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 29			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	13	C

Comments
The purpose of this visit was to conduct an Initial Licensing Study follow-up. An administrative review was conducted this date. Staff files, child files, training and criminal records checks were reviewed. Permission to Operate issued this date. Facility does not carry Liability Insurance.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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.decal.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.

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)

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 a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov **for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!**

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The following information is associated with a ILS Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Correction Deadline: 3/26/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.12(5) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. All licensed classrooms have adequate table space and appropriately sized chairs.

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

Comment
Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site this date.

Facility

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

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.25(13) - Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical **Met**

Correction Deadline: 3/4/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.25(14) - Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. All classrooms were appropriately illuminated during naptime.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment
Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Comment
Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment
Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Safety

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

Comment
Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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**

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.30(2) - Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. No items were placed in the crib with infants on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.30(2)(c) - Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. Infants observed to be sleeping in safety-approved cribs.

Staff Records

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

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.09(1)(j) - Previous citation observed to be corrected. All criminal records checks were complete for all staff.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.32(4) - Previous citation observed this date. Children under the age of three were housed in separate physical areas from older children.

Correction Deadline: 3/4/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.32(4)(a) - Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. Mixed age groups were appropriately grouped on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 3/4/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025
.32(7) - Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. Appropriate supervision observed on this date.