

# 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:** 2/17/2022 Arrival: 9:55 AM VisitType: Monitoring Visit Departure: 10:25 AM

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Compliance Zone Designation					
02/17/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
08/23/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
02/12/2021	Monitoring Visit	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
Main	1-year-olds-Far Left	One Year Olds	3	14	С	18	С	NA	NA	Outside,Free Play
Main	2-year-olds-Right	Two Year Olds	1	9	С	9	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	3-year-olds-Middle	Three Year Olds	1	15	С	15	С	20	С	Circle Time
Main	Afterschoolers-Far Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	8	С	8	С	12	С	Circle Time
Main	Infants-Left	Infants	2	6	С	7	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 57		Total C ft.: 66	apacity @	25 sq.					
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 52	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 5	7		Total C ft.: 66	apacity @	25 sq.			

**Playground Playground** Building Compliance Playground Occupancy Main Only

#### Comments

An in-person review was completed on this date. The Director stated that routine transportation or swimming activities are not provided by the program. The Director was asked to submit Medication Records and a current list of staff in Decal Koala by February 25, 2022.

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, 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





#### **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: https://gualityrated.decal.ga.gov/ Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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)

Carol Holt. Program Official	Date	Laura Johnson, Consultant	Date



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## **Findings Report**

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# The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

	Activities and Equipment
591-1-112 Equipment & Toys(CR)	Met
Comment	
A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.	
591-1-135 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)	N/A
Comment	
Center does not provide swimming activities.	
	Facility
591-1-119 License Capacity(CR)	Met
Comment	
Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.	
591-1-125 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment	
Center appears clean and well maintained.	
591-1-126 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
Comment	
Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.	
	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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Technical Assistance** 

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Technical Assistance** 

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 - The consultant spoke with the Director about not storing unused equipment on top of crib sheets in unoccupied cribs to prevent the transfer of germs.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2022

**Staff Records** 

**Records Reviewed: 10** 

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0** 

Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2008

Staff # 2

Staff # 1

Date of Hire: 10/14/2020

Staff #3

Met

Met

Date of Hire: 04/13/2021

Staff #4

Date of Hire: 02/16/2022

Met

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff #5

Met

Date of Hire: 09/20/2021

Staff #6

Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2008

Records Reviewed: 10 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 7

Date of Hire: 10/26/2018

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 12/01/2021 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 08/21/2020

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 11/19/2021

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4

#### 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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# **Staffing and Supervision**

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

Met

#### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

#### Comment

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