

# 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: 4/11/2023 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 9:50 AM Departure: 12:40 PM

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Quality Rated: \*



Compliance Zone Designation						
04/11/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing				
09/19/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing				
04/19/2022	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- 1st Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	6	С	21	С	NA	NA	Music
Main	B- 2nd Right	Three Year Olds	2	7	С	21	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	C- 3rd Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	10	С	21	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D- 4th Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	С	21	С	NA	NA	Outside
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 8	34		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 36	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 8	34		Total C	Capacity @	25 sq.		·	

BuildingPlayground<br/>OccupancyPlayground<br/>ComplianceMainPlayground A- Right<br/>(Head Start)92CMainPlayground B- Left<br/>(Early Head Start)13C

#### Comments

The purpose of this visit was to complete a Licensing Study. The Director, Twana Williams, stated that the program did not provide swimming activities and had not administered any medications during the current school year. Transportation records were reviewed during the visit. Criminal Record Checks were reviewed complete. The program does not provide care for infants.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/11/2023

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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, <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 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 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!

Twana Williams, Program Official	Date	Laura Johnson, Consultant	Date



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## (Findings Report)

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# The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

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

## Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

# **Children's Records**

#### 591-1-1-.08 Children's Records Met

## Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

#### 591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met

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#### Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Met

#### Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(13) - The consultant spoke with the Director about ensuring that brooms and dust pans are not stored accessible to the children in care.

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2023

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(4) - The consultant spoke with the Director about cutting the strip of metal protruding from the bottom of the fence in the far left corner on the left playground.

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2023

# Food Service

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

#### Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

# 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

#### Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

# **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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

# **Policies and Procedures**

# 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

#### Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

Safety

## 591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

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#### Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Met

## Comment

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

## 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

#### Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

#### Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

#### Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

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 last visit

#### Comment

Director provided [] file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

#### 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

## Comment

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles.

#### Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

# 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022

## Corrected on 4/11/2023

.33(5) - This citation was corrected on this date. All staff had evidence of completing at least ten hours of annual training for the calendar year 2022 as required.

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# 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.

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