

# 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**

Arrival: 10:00 AM Date: 11/3/2021 VisitType: Follow-Up Departure: 11:00 AM

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**Quality Rated: No** 

			<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				
11/03/2021	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	standing, support, and deficient.  Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting				
09/14/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Support	the rules Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting			
02/08/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Deficient	<ul> <li>rules.</li> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>			

#### 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- Front Right	Infants	1	6	С	12	С	NA	NA	Free Play,Floor Play
Main	B-Center Front	One Year Olds	2	14	С	16	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C-Left Front	Two Year Olds	2	15	С	20	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D Left Rear(PreK 1)	Three Year Olds	3	21	С	37	С	52	С	Centers
Main	E-Center Rear	GA PreK	2	21	С	29	С	40	С	Centers
Main	F-Right Rear	GA PreK	2	20	С	25	С	35	С	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	39		Total C ft.: 175	apacity @	25 sq.	•		

Total # Children this Date: 97 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 139 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 175

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A-Center Riight Rear	59	С
Main	Playground B-Left Rear	37	С
Main	Playground C-Left Side	12	С

## **Comments**

The purpose of todays virtual visit was to conduct an incident investigation and follow-up to previous visit conducted on September 14, 2021.

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://qualityrated.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: http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx

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)

Ronda Mullins, Program Official	Date	LaToyia Summers, Consultant	Date



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# **Findings Report**

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# The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

**Staff Records Records Reviewed: 30** Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Staff # 1 Met Date of Hire: 08/26/2019 Staff # 2 Met Staff #3 Met Date of Hire: 02/06/2018 Staff #4 Met Staff #5 Met Staff #6 Met Date of Hire: 10/17/2012 Staff #7 Met Date of Hire: 10/23/1999 Staff #8 Met Date of Hire: 07/28/2016 Staff # 9 Met Staff # 10 Met Date of Hire: 08/12/2021 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Records Reviewed: 30	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 08/10/2020	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 03/30/2021	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 08/25/2021	Met  Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 06/30/2021	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 01/09/2018	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 10/03/2001	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 08/24/2021	Met  Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 07/27/2020	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 08/26/2021	Met  Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 08/26/1996	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 11/15/2017	Met
Staff # 24	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 01/27/2006	Met
Staff # 26	Met

Records Reviewed: 30 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 27

Date of Hire: 05/27/2008

Staff # 28

Date of Hire: 04/13/2017

Staff # 29 Met

Staff # 30 Met

## Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2021

## Corrected on 11/3/2021

.09(1)(c) - Correction of citation in that consultant observed a current satisfactory comprehensive records check determination on file for staff member #6.

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.09(1)(I)3. - Correction of citation in that consultant observed a current satisfactory comprehensive records check determination on file for staff member #6.

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

Defer

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591-1-1-.14(2)- Citation will be deferred until next regulatory visit.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 10/14/2021

## 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)- Citation will be deferred until next regulatory visit.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 10/14/2021