

# 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:** 12/1/2021 VisitType: Monitoring Visit **Departure:** 11:15 AM

CCLC-50243

## **International Preparatory Academy III**

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**Quality Rated** 



Compliance Zone Designation				
12/01/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
03/18/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
09/03/2020	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	A-1st right side	Three Year Olds	1	7	С	46	С	NA	NA	Art
Main	B- 2nd left Preschool		0	0	С	56	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C-Left side infants	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	С	41	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 125 Total Caft.: 0		apacity @	25 sq.		@35 capa nt Toilets/	city limited by Sinks				
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 10	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12	25		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.	•		

Playground Playground Building Playground Occupancy Compliance Main A-Preschool and 31 School-age Main B-Infant and Toddler 17

# **Comments**

Background checks were all reviewed on December 1, 2021. A virtual inspection was conducted on December 1, 2021, with the Director Michelle Wells. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic...

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/01/2021

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  $information\ to\ \c CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.$ 

- 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)

Michelle Wells, Program Official	Date	Lisa Pitts, Consultant	Date
Jessica 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**

591-1-1-.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

Per the Director, The center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

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)

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.26 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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

# 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Per the provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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

Per the Director. The center does not provide routine transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(4) - The consultant and Director discussed covering the cots that are inside of the classroom to make them inaccessible to the children in care.

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2021

**Staff Records** 

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Records Reviewed: 12	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0			
Staff # 1	Met			
Date of Hire: 11/25/2020				
Staff # 2	Met			
Date of Hire: 11/13/1999				
Staff # 3	Met			
Date of Hire: 07/17/2019				
Staff # 4	Met			
Date of Hire: 06/22/2020				
Staff # 5	Met			
Date of Hire: 07/14/2021				
Staff # 6	Met			
Date of Hire: 10/09/2019				
Staff # 7	Met			

Records Reviewed: 12 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 07/16/2021

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 08/05/2020

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 10/12/2021

Staff # 10 Met

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 02/23/2018

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 12/21/2020

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

## 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)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)3.(ii)(I) - (VIII) - The Consultant and Director discussed that the department requires the Center develop a written plan for newly hired teacher's who do not possess the educational credential or degree

Correction Deadline: 12/1/2021

# **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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.