

# 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: 4/19/2022 Arrival: 10:00 AM Departure: 12:00 PM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

**CCLC-16135** 

Mt. Zion Center

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Quality Rated: \*\*

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Compliance Zone Designation					
04/19/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
11/10/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
04/22/2021	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

rules.

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	Room 1	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	11	С	22	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room 2	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	13	С	21	С	NA	NA	Centers,Circle Time
Main	Room 3	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	8	С	9	С	NA	NA	Outside
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 52	2		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 32	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 52	2		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back Playground	25	С
Main	Playground	35	С

#### Comments

An in person inspection was conducted on April 19, with the director.

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, <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





# 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!

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 <a href="https://www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a> 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)

ERMA CAMPBELL, Program Official	Date	Debrik Perry, Consultant	Date
Sondra Paster, 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

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)

Not Met

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that in Room 1, a large bottle of hand sanitizer and a black stapler was placed on the table and accessible to the children. It was further determined that in Room 2 a bottle of hand sanitizer was on the table and accessible to the children.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 4/19/2022

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

Not Met

# Comment

Consultant discussed with the janitor to ensure the jungle gym is repainted.

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that a water hose, wheel barrel, shovel and rake were observed to be stored on the back playground which was accessible to the children:

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 4/19/2022

# **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

Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for were discussed with the Director on this date of April 19, 2022.

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

Met

#### Comment

The Provider stated that they have not dispensed medication since the last visit on November 10, 2021.

Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

Consultant discussed with the teacher in Room 2 to ensure that redirection is being used to corrected behavior.

# 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.

# 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

### **Records Reviewed: 11**

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 11/28/2016

Staff # 2

Met

**Records Reviewed: 11** Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 Date of Hire: 08/22/2005 Staff #3 Met Date of Hire: 08/22/2005 Staff #4 Met Date of Hire: 11/29/2021 Staff # 5 Met Date of Hire: 01/03/2022 Staff # 6 Met Date of Hire: 07/30/2018 Staff #7 Met Date of Hire: 12/07/2020 Staff #8 Met Date of Hire: 07/30/2019 Staff #9 Met Date of Hire: 07/30/2019 Staff # 10 Met Date of Hire: 07/11/2005 Staff # 11 Met Date of Hire: 02/22/2021 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. Director provided files for two employees hired since last visit on November 10, 2021. 591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations. **Staffing and Supervision** 

Comment

Met

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment Adequate supervision observed on this date.							