

#### 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: 11/9/2022 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 9:00 AM Departure: 11:30 AM

standing, support, and deficient.

Deficient

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Good Standing

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Same

11/09/2022

07/08/2022

06/15/2022

Quality Rated: >



**Compliance Zone Designation** 

Monitoring Visit

Complaint

Complaint Closure

Investigation Follow

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

**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

 Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

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Ratios/License Capacity

| Building                          | Room              | Age Group                          | Staff | Children               | NC/C                          | Max 35<br>SF. | 35 SF.<br>Comp. | Max 25<br>SF. | 25 SF.<br>Comp. | Notes       |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Main<br>Building                  | Gym Front Right   | PreK                               | 2     | 12                     | С                             | 20            | С               | NA            | NA              | Centers     |
| Main<br>Building                  | Gym Left PreK B   | Three Year Olds                    | 1     | 10                     | С                             | 33            | С               | NA            | NA              | Circle Time |
| Main<br>Building                  | Gym Right Back    |                                    | 0     | 0                      | С                             | 20            | С               | NA            | NA              |             |
| Main<br>Building                  | Left Back         | Infants                            | 2     | 7                      | С                             | 10            | С               | NA            | NA              | Floor Play  |
| Main<br>Building                  | Left Front        | One Year Olds                      | 1     | 8                      | С                             | 11            | С               | NA            | NA              | Free Play   |
| Main<br>Building                  | Left Middle       | One Year Olds and Two<br>Year Olds | 1     | 6                      | С                             | 12            | С               | NA            | NA              | Centers     |
| Main<br>Building                  | Right Back PreK A |                                    | 0     | 0                      | С                             | 19            | С               | NA            | NA              |             |
| Main<br>Building                  | Right Front       | Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds  | 2     | 14                     | С                             | 19            | С               | NA            | NA              | Free Play   |
|                                   |                   | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1      | : 144 |                        | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |               |                 |               |                 |             |
| Total # Children this Date: 57 To |                   | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144    |       | Total Capacity @25 sq. |                               |               |                 |               |                 |             |

ft.: 0

| Building      | Playground         | Playground<br>Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|---------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Main Building | Big Playground     | 81                      | С                     |
| Main Building | Infant Playground  | 8                       | С                     |
| Main Building | Toddler Playground | 11                      | С                     |

#### Comments

An in person inspection was conducted on November 9, 2022 with the director.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/09/2022

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 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)

| quesia Sloan, Program Official | Date | Debrik Perry, 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)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the three-year-old classroom had numerous broken blue ice blocks, located on the toy shelf.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 11/9/2022

#### 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)

Met

#### Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that the mulch is redistributed on both playgrounds.

Correction Deadline: 11/19/2022

Correction Deadline: 6/15/2022

#### **Corrected on 11/9/2022**

Previous citation corrected. The trash had been removed from the playground area.

### **Health and Hygiene**

#### 591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/15/2022

#### **Corrected on 11/9/2022**

Previous citation corrected. No infants were observed to have pacifiers attached to their clothes.

#### 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2021

#### **Corrected on 11/9/2022**

Previous citation corrected. Consultant observed proper diaper changing. Consultant also observed a Diaper changing schedule in the infant and toddler classrooms.

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.10(3) requires Center Staff to change diapers in the child's own crib or on a diaper changing surface that is used for no purposes other than changing diapers and other clothing in each room where infants or any other children wearing diapers are served. It was determined based on observation that middle one-year-old classroom had a blue diaper changing pad that was torn.

#### **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure Staff are trained regarding specifically where to change diapers and clothing in each room housing children who are wearing diapers.

Correction Deadline: 11/9/2022

#### 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

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)

Met

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2022

#### **Corrected on 11/9/2022**

Previous citation corrected. All classrooms had the resting equipment labeled for individual use. All classrooms had resting equipment charts posted.

| Staff | Records |
|-------|---------|
|-------|---------|

| Records Reviewed: 13                  | Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 09/19/2022    | Met <u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90</u> <u>calendar days of hired</u> |
| Staff # 2<br>Date of Hire: 06/24/2022 | Met  |
| Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 06/06/2022    | Met  |
| Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 05/15/2022    | Met  |
| Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 10/07/2021    | Met  |
| Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 05/15/2022    | Met  |
| Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 03/28/2022    | Met  |
| Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 10/18/2021    | Met  |
| Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 01/13/2016    | Met  |
| Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 07/15/2022   | Met  |
| Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 08/15/2022   | Met  |
| Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 03/31/2008   | Met  |
| Staff # 13                            | Met  |
| Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1         |  |

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

#### Comment

Director provided files for five employees hired since last visit on May 9, 2022.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.