



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 10/13/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 3:30 PM

**Departure:** 4:45 PM

**CCLC-30955**

**Discovery Point #67**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<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 standing, support, and deficient.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
10/13/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/26/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/06/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

**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	1L Infant	Infants	3	13	C	19	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play
Main	1R Preschool 1	Two Year Olds	2	17	C	21	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	2L Beginners	One Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	2R Preschool 2	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	24	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	3L Toddlers	One Year Olds	1	8	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch
Main	3R Preschol 3	Three Year Olds	2	22	C	24	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	4R Pre-Kgtn	GA PreK	2	22	C	26	C	36	C	Centers
Main	5R Schoolage	GA PreK	2	20	C	36	C	50	C	Centers
Main	Cafeteria		0	0	C	41	C	NA	NA	Not In Use

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 226

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 250

Total # Children this Date: 126

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 250

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant/Toddler LS	18	C
Main	Preschool Right Side	57	C
Main	School Age/Back Middle	61	C

### Comments

Administrative Review was conducted on October 13, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A Virtual Visit was conducted on October 19, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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.dec.state.ga.us/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us).

- 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://dec.state.ga.us/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)

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Heather Wilson, Program Official

Date

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Mandi Sloan, Consultant

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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**

Discussed rotating toys to support the procedures of daily disinfecting.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

### Children's Records

**Records Reviewed: 5**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

**591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**

**Technical Assistance**

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591-1-1-.08(1) - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that enrollment records contain the complete addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2021

**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.

**Food Service**

**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition** Technical Assistance

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.15 - The consultant discussed with provider to ensure that the most current infant feeding plan forms are being to used to contain information specific to the introduction of solid foods.

**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**

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)** Technical Assistance

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(4)(c) - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that a fire extinguisher is placed in bus with tag number BPF 1226 before it is used for the transportation of children.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2021

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

**Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 29****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 09/25/2017

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 11/16/2020

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 10/26/2020

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 10/19/2020

Staff # 5 Met

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 01/24/2017

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 01/09/2012

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 08/16/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 12/09/2019

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 08/11/2019

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 05/23/2012

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 01/24/2017

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 10/02/2017

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 11/16/2020

Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 09/22/2021	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 08/16/2021	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 08/09/2010	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 07/29/2020	
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 10/15/2021	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2021	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 08/30/2021	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 05/04/2021	
Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 07/29/2016	
Staff # 25	Met
Staff # 26	Met
Date of Hire: 01/04/2016	
Staff # 27	Met
Date of Hire: 05/02/2018	
Staff # 28	Met
Date of Hire: 02/26/2021	
Staff # 29	Met
Date of Hire: 10/04/2010	

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6**

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

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

**Comment**

Director provided seven file(s) for employees hired since the last visit conducted on April 26, 2021.

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**591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.