

# 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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Date: 6/14/2023 VisitType: MV POI Follow Up Arrival: 9:45 AM Departure: 12:00 PM

CCLC-4084 Region Consultant

# **Children's Best Learning Center**

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**Quality Rated: No** 

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06/14/2023	MV POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
09/06/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Good Sta
09/01/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow	Good Standing	Support
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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.

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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	200	•	0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	
Main	100 A		0	0	С	12	С	NA	NA	
Main	100 B		0	0	С	9	С	NA	NA	
Main	101	Three Year Olds	1	4	С	21	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	201	Two Year Olds	1	5	С	21	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	300		0	0	С	20	С	NA	NA	
Main	400	Four Year Olds	1	12	С	22	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	500	Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	С	27	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	600	Infants	1	5	С	10	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	601	Two Year Olds	1	8	С	10	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	602		0	0	С	10	С	NA	NA	
Main	603	One Year Olds	1	3	С	24	С	NA	NA	Free Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 207 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0								

Total # Children this Date: 48 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 207

Total Capacity @25 sq.

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - Front Playground	17	С
Main	B - Back Right Playground	78	С

Main

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring visit and a Plan of Improvement visit.

Required documents were available for the consultant to review.

Provider was closed from December 26, 2022 until May 30, 2023 due to busted pipes and water damage to the building.

An exit conference discussing the Monitoring report with the director on this date. Consultant emailed a signed copy of the Monitoring report to the director on this date.

Playground was not observed due to inclement weather so citations were deferred to next regulatory visit.

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

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)





# **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!

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Pam McCoury, Program Official Date Charlene Story, Region Consultant	Date



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# (Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a MV POI Follow Up:

# Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured on this date.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Defer

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591-1-1-.26(4)-This citation was deferred to next regulatory visit due to inclement weather.

**POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Revision Date: 6/14/2023 11:27:05 AM

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2022

Defer

591-1-1-.26(9)-This citation had to be deferred due to inclement weather.

## 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: 9/13/2022

# **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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands before lunch.

# 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

Transportation had not been provided due to center closure. Center was closed from December 26, 2022 due to busted pipes and reopened May 30, 2023 and has not provided transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/6/2022

### **Corrected on 6/14/2023**

.30(2)(c) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed a two-month-old infant lying in a swing awake.

Revision Date: 6/14/2023 11:27:05 AM

Staff Records

# 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)

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.