

# 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:** 3/18/2022 Arrival: 10:15 AM Departure: 11:30 AM VisitType: Licensing Study

CCLC-38704

# **Tot's Learning Academy III**

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# **Quality Rated**

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Compliance Zone Designation				
03/18/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
07/13/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
02/24/2021	Licensing Study	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	One Year Olds	1	6	С	11	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	В	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	С	19	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play
Main	Room C	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	14	С	23	С	NA	NA	Free Play,Music
Main	Room D		0	0	С	17	С	NA	NA	
Main	Room E	Three Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	13	С	24	С	NA	NA	Story,Free Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 94	4		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 41	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 94	4		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	26	

This is the second visit of the fiscal year. Program does not provide medication or swimming.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/18/2022

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 <a href="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)

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Natasha Collins, Program Official	Date	Kimberly Stoy, Consultant	Date

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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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

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 Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facility** 

591-1-119 License Capacity(CR)	Met
Comment	
Licensed capacity observed to be met on this da	ate.
591-1-125 Physical Plant - Safe Environmer	nt(CR) Met
<b>Comment</b> Please be mindful to keep items that pose a haz	zard inaccessible to children.
591-1-126 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
<b>Comment</b> Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Ple	ase fluff and redistribute.
	Health and Hygiene
591-1-110 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
Comment Proper diapering procedures observed.	
591-1-117 Hygiene(CR)	Met
Comment	
Proper hand washing observed throughout the o	center. N/A
591-1-120 Medications(CR)	IN/A
<b>Comment</b> The Provider currently does not dispense/admir	nister medication.
	Safety
591-1-111 Discipline(CR)	Met
Comment Staff were observed to maintain a positive learn	sing environment on this date
591-1-136 Transportation(CR)	Met
Comment	
Complete documentation of transportation obse	erved.
	Sleeping & Resting Equipment
591-1-130 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requi	irements(CR) Met
	mements(Cit)
Comment Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.	
	Staff Records
Records Reviewed: 14	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2
Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 03/15/2022	Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 2	Not Met
Date of Hire: 04/04/2017	

Records	Reviewed	l: 14
!! N. A.:	! /I	

# **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 02/04/2020

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 01/18/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 5 Met

Staff # 6 Met

Staff # 7 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/12/1991

"Missing/Incomplete Components"
.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 03/03/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 9 Met

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 02/02/2021

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 11/14/2018

Staff # 12 Met

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 11/04/2021

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 12/11/2019

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

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

Met

# Comment

Director provided three file(s) for employees hired since last visit. Criminal record checks were complete on this date.

# 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

# **Finding**

91-1-1-.33(5) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules. It was determined based on a review of records that staff #2 and #7 did not complete the ten hours of annual training required for 2021.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022

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

### Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

# 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.