

# 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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Arrival: 10:00 AM **Date:** 5/22/2023 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Departure: 12:45 PM

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Same

**Quality Rated: No** 

<u> </u>	Compliance Zone Desi			one Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring rains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good
05/22/202	23 Monitoring Visit		standing, suppo	
12/06/202	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Good Standing	<ul> <li>Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>
04/27/202	22 Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Support	<ul> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.</li> </ul>
			Deficient	<ul> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>

# Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A/1L - 1's and 2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	4	25	С	32	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Circle Time,Outside
Main	B1/Front - 3 - 4yrs.	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	С	20	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	B2/Back - 3 year olds	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	С	20	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C1/Front - GA PreK - SA	GA PreK	2	19	С	22	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C2/Back - GA PreK	GA PreK	2	17	С	20	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D/1R - 6wk - 14 mth	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	С	21	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Nap,F loor Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	135		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Ch	nildren this Date: 99	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	135		Total C	Capacity @	25 sa.			

ft.: 0

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- FL/ 1's and 2's	17	С
Main	B - BL/ 3's and 4's	30	С
Main	C- BR/ Afterschool	58	С
Main	D-FR/ 6wks - 14	14	С

#### Comments

The purpose of the visit is to follow up to previous visit and conduct a Monitoring Visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/22/2023

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.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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
- 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 <u>www.decalkoala.com</u> 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:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

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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.

#### Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

# 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)

**Technical Assistance** 

# **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25 - Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

#### Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

# Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

#### Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(9) - Discussed covering the exposed concrete edges of the basketball and the mats under the swings flush so they do not pose a tripping hazard.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2023

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

# 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.17(7) - Please ensure that children's hands are washed after diapering in rooms D/1R and A/1L.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2023

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

Met

# Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

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** 

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

#### Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

# **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(4)(a) - Please ensure that the vehicle inspection is completed at least once every 12 months.

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Correction Deadline: 5/27/2023

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

# Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Staff Records** 

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

Not Met

#### Commen

Director provided five file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires that a Center ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on review of records that Staff #8 had a Satisfactory Background Check determination that expired on March 22, 2023. A new Application was submitted in Decal Koala on the day of the visit. Staff was observed to be caring for children in room B2/Back.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site as required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2023

#### Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on review of records that Staff #8 had a Satisfactory Background Check determination that expired on March 22, 2023. A new Application was submitted in Decal Koala on the day of the visit. Staff was observed to be caring for children in room B2/Back.

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

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# 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)

#### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

# 591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

Met

# Comment

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