



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 3/1/2023    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 10:00 AM    **Departure:** 2:40 PM

**CCLC-53646**

**KinderCare Learning Center #1690**

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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.
03/01/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/18/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/17/2022	ILS with PTO	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	Ga Pre-K	GA PreK	2	21	C	20	NC	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Ga Pre-K	GA PreK	2	21	C	22	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	GA Pre-k	GA PreK	2	22	C	22	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Floor Play, Nap
Main	Kindergarten	Four Year Olds	2	20	C	25	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	One Year Old	One Year Olds	2	10	C	10	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room F (back)	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	11	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room F (front right)	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room F (front)	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	12	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room I	Four Year Olds	2	17	C	27	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Two Year Old	Three Year Olds	2	17	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Two Year Old (Back)	Three Year Olds	2	11	C	11	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 209						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 184			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 209			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	50	C
Main	Playground B (Preschool)	73	C

**Comments**

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

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/01/2023

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.dec.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 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.

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**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](http://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.

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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 1 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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Carla Bentley, Program Official

Date

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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**

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.

**Children's Records**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facility**

**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.06(4) - Please ensure that the ventilation system is working properly and pulling the air in.

**Correction Deadline: 3/31/2023**

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

**Comment**

Discussed with the Director that the rooms appear inaccurately labeled and an amendment might be needed.

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

**Comment**

The Pre\_k rooms have a waiver in place allowing to have 22 children during the Pre-K hours.

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

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

**Food Service**

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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition Met**

**Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

**Comment**

Please ensure that infant feeding forms are updated regularly.

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**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations Met**

**Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

**Health and Hygiene**

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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

**Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.10(1) - Please ensure that the windows in the diapering rooms are opened during diapering. The Director will research and see if there is a ventilation system for the whole building and forward it together with the input/output numbers to the consultant.

**Correction Deadline: 3/1/2023**

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**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) Met**

**Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) Met**

**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

**Organization**

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**591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License****Met****Comment**

591-1-1-.16(f) - Discussed with the Director to submit an Application for an Amendment for the diapering and non-diapering rooms that were not accurately entered. The Director will research if the whole building has a built-in exhaust system and will send to the consultant to evaluate.

**Correction Deadline: 3/1/2023**

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<b>Policies and Procedures</b>
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**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures****Met****Comment**

Program observed complete emergency drills

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<b>Safety</b>
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**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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**591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)****Met****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****Met****Comment**

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

**Comment**

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

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(4)(e) - Please ensure that the minor tears in the seats' covers are repaired or covered with duck tape.

**Correction Deadline: 3/2/2023****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(7)(b) - Please ensure that the Emergency Medical Forms have the child's doctor and the medical facility listed.

**Correction Deadline: 3/2/2023**

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<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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<b>Staff Records</b>
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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 five file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR** **Met**

**Comment**

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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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**

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