



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

Date: 7/8/2021 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 11:15 AM

CCLC-53614

Lower McGregor Child Development Center

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
07/08/2021	Initial 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 rules.

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	1 - EHS 4		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	2 - EHS 1		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	3 - EHS 2		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	4 - EHS 3		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	5 - HS 1		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	6 - HS 5		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	7 - HS 2		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	8 - HS 3		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	9 - HS 4		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 173						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 0			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 200			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	27	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on July 8, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A Virtual Initial Licensing Study was conducted on July 8, 2021, due to Covid-19 pandemic.

The program received a temporary license on this date. A permanent license will be issued when the programs provides an updated fire inspection, fire and building certificate of occupancy, zoning, and sewer verification.

The program does carry liability insurance. Center capacity limited at Center's request.

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

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.

- 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)

Trina Marks, Program Official

Date

Twylah Tyner, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial 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.

Comment

A virtual visit was conducted, toys and equipment observed to be clean and safe from hazardous conditions.

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

Met

Comment

Director stated the Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on property during virtual visit on this date.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

The total license capacity of the Center measured at 173 children, based on nine (9) of nine (9) previously measured classrooms. Capacity limited at Center's request. Temporary license issued. Renewable license will be issued when building and fire certificate of occupancy, fire inspection, zoning and sewer verification received.

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

Met

Comment

Virtual visit conducted, no hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

Comment

A virtual visit was conducted on this date, playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

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

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk
5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk
2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Comment**

A virtual visit was conducted, staff stated proper diaper changing procedure. The Director stated that sinks had heated, running water.

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

A virtual visit was conducted, staff stated proper handwashing procedures. The Director stated all handwashing sinks had heated, running water.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures during virtual visit on this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

There were no children present on this date. The center's discipline policy was reviewed on this date. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the director on this date during virtual visit.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation or field trips. Prior to virtual visit, Consultant discussed transportation requirements if/when the facility decides to incorporate transportation. The center will contact their regional consultant and complete the required two (2) hours transportation training prior to transporting children.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation or field trips. Prior to virtual visit, Consultant discussed transportation requirements if/when the facility decides to incorporate transportation. The center will contact their regional consultant and complete the required two (2) hours transportation training prior to transporting children.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

A virtual visit was conducted, eight (8) of eight (8) cribs were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards as they were manufactured in 2011, 2015, 2016, 2019 and 2020.

Safe sleep requirements were discussed with the Director during virtual visit this date.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 24****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 06/09/2021	
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20	Met
Staff # 21	Met

Records Reviewed: 24

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 22	Met
Staff # 23	Met
Staff # 24	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Comment

Twenty-four (24) of twenty-four (24) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

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

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations during virtual visit on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) Met

Comment

There were no children present on this date. Proper ratios and classroom capacities were discussed with the director during virtual visit on this date.

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

Comment

A supervision plan was created on this date due to the shape of the playground.

Comment

There were no children present on this date. Proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, was discussed with the director during virtual visit on this date.