

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: 4/24/2021 Arrival: 9:15 AM VisitType: Licensing Study **Departure:** 10:15 AM

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Quality Rated: 🤺



| | | | 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 | | | | | | |
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| 04/24/2021 | Licensing Study | | standing, suppo | | | | | | |
| 11/16/2020 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | Good Standing | Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. | | | | | |
| 10/25/2019 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | 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 | A | Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over | 2 | 6 | С | 31 | С | 43 | С | Homework |
| Main | В | One Year Olds and Two Year Olds | 1 | 4 | С | 10 | С | NA | NA | Art |
| Main | С | | 0 | 0 | С | 5 | С | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 4 | 6 | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 58 | | | • | | |
| Total # Cl | hildren this Date: 10 | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 4 | 6 | | Total C ft.: 58 | apacity @ | 25 sq. | | | |

Playground **Playground** Building Playground Occupancy Compliance Main Playground 58 C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on April 21, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on April 24, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on February15, 2021 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/24/2021

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 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://gualityrated.decal.ga.gov/ Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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@decal.ga.gov.

- 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://decal.ga.gov/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)

| Eugenia Gillis, Program Official | Date | Lajuana Williams, Consultant | 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

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.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center was observed to be compliant with the licensed capacity.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through there were no hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the playground area was observed and appeared to be in good repair.

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

During an administrative review the center menu was observed to have met USDA guidelines.

Health and Hygiene

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through diapering was not directly observed however the diapering areas were observed and appeared to be clean and in good repair. Staff stated proper knowledge of the rules.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.17 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through hand washing was not directly observed, however rules were discussed and staff stated proper knowledge of the rules.

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

N/A

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals N/A

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.11 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through discipline was not directly observed, however, staff state proper knowledge of the rules this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Comment

During an administrative review complete documentation of school transportation for the week of March 29, 2021 was observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk there were no infant children in care, however, compliant cribs were observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Records Reviewed: 7 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 03/11/2010

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 12/12/2018

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 05/04/2000

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 08/27/2000

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 01/17/2019

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 02/01/2011

Staff # 7 Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Met

Comment

During an administrative review Staff criminal records check information was verified in Koala Outback. and were observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on April 30, 2021.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center was observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through adequate supervision was observed on this date.