

# 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: 9/20/2022 Arrival: 12:50 PM Departure: 2:05 PM VisitType: Licensing Study

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Compliance Zone Designation				
09/20/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	ŀ	
03/28/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	l	
10/29/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	ŀ	

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.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A		0	0	С	15	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	В		0	0	С	8	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	С	One Year Olds	1	3	С	7	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Na
Main	D	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	8	NC	38	С	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 6	8		Total C	Capacity @	25 sq.			
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Total # Children this Date: 11 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 68 Total Capacity @25 sq.

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	49	С

### Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/20/2022

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="https://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

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.'

4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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)

LaSonya Simmons, 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
591-1-112 Equipment & Toys(CR)	Met
Comment	
Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.	
591-1-135 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)	N/A
Comment	
Center does not provide swimming activities.	
	Facility
591-1-119 License Capacity(CR)	Met
Comment	
Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.	
591-1-125 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment	
Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.	
591-1-126 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
Comment	
Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.	
	Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Please ensure that all food items are stored in airtight containers.

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

Met

### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

#### Comment

591-1-1-.17(8) - The Director stated proper knowledge of the rules.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2022

### 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)

Met

#### Comment

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

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

N/A

### Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment** 

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

Met

### Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records

### **Records Reviewed: 12**

### Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 07/08/2019

Staff # 2

Met

Staff #3

Met

Date of Hire: 07/01/2016

Staff #4

Met

**Records Reviewed: 12 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1** Date of Hire: 02/22/2019 Staff #5 Met Date of Hire: 08/28/2020 Staff #6 Met Date of Hire: 01/21/2020 Staff #7 Not Met Date of Hire: 06/28/2019 "Missing/Incomplete Components" .14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing Staff #8 Met Date of Hire: 04/30/2018 Staff #9 Met Date of Hire: 02/19/2019 Staff # 10 Met Date of Hire: 06/27/2019 Staff # 11 Met Date of Hire: 06/28/2019 Staff # 12 Met Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 Date of Hire: 09/06/2022 calendar days of hired Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Met Comment Criminal record checks were observed to be complete. Comment Director provided one file for employees hired since last visit. 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met Comment Please be mindful of training expiration dates. 591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations. **Staffing and Supervision** 

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

**Not Met** 

### Comment

Discussed naptime ratios.

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.32(4) requires that children under three years old be housed in separate physical areas from older children and cannot be mixed with older children except at specified times and circumstances. It was determined based on observation that a ratio 1:9 was maintained in the back classroom,. One one-year-old child , two two-year-old children, four three year-old children and one five year old was observed with one teacher during nap.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will maintain separation of these children under three years old.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2022

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

Met

#### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.