



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

**Date:** 6/13/2022    **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 9:00 AM    **Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-56653**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<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.
06/13/2022	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	
			<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.

**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 Building 2nd Floor	ER-2 year old		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main Building 2nd Floor	FR-Pre-K		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 27			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main Building Ground Floor	AL-Infant		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main Building Ground Floor	BR-Three year old		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	
Main Building Ground Floor	C-Middle-One Year old		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main Building Ground Floor	G-Afterschool		0	0	C	89	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 121			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Total # Children this Date: 0

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 148

Total Capacity @25 sq.  
ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building Ground Floor	1 YR Playground	2	C
Main Building Ground Floor	Infant Playground	1	C
Main Building Ground Floor	Large Playground	32	C

**Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on June 8, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on June 13, 2022. The exit conference was conducted virtually on June 14, 2022 at 8:30 pm with the Owner. Permission to Operate will be issued upon completion of the Exit Conference and signature pages are returned to the Consultant. Facility does not carry Liability Insurance. The license capacity is 121

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/13/2022

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, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.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 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 [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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)

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Lauren Kilby-Davis, Program Official

Date

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Toni Williams, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

### Activities and Equipment

#### 591-1-1.03 Activities

**Met**

**Comment**

Consultant advised the Provider to enhance and increase equipment in all centers in all classrooms except for Pre-K.

**Correction Deadline:** 6/13/2022

#### 591-1-1.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

**Met**

**Comment**

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

**Comment**

The Consultant discussed with the Provider to please add equipment and toys to enhance variety. in all classrooms.

#### 591-1-1.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site.

### Facility

#### 591-1-1.19 License Capacity(CR)

**Met**

**Comment**

Permission to Operate will be issued upon completion of the Exit Conference and return of signature pages to the Consultant, the overall capacity is 121.

#### 591-1-1.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

**Met**

**Comment**

The Consultant advised the Director to please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

**Comment**

The Consultant discussed with the Provider the need to put a safety gate or a four plus foot barrier at the entrance for all stairwell not being used by children.

**Comment**

Consultant advised the Provider to repair the toilets in the upstairs bathroom and to add toilet knobs to the bottom of all toilets.

**Correction Deadline: 6/13/2022**

**Comment**

Consultant advised Provider to cover all electrical outlets with protective covers.

**Correction Deadline: 6/13/2022**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Comment**

Consultant discussed with the Provider to please fluff and redistribute the resilient surfacing on the playground.

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on the Consultant's observation that the fence on the large playground was not (4) four feet high as required.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

**Correction Deadline: 8/15/2022**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based upon Consultant's observation that the resilient surfacing on the playground was 2.5 inches where 6 inches were needed.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

**Correction Deadline: 7/15/2022**

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**Health and Hygiene**

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

Staff stated proper procedures. Sinks with warm running water observed adjacent to proper diapering surfaces in all classrooms approved for diapering.

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

## Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

There were no children enrolled 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.

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

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation or field trips. 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

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

Met

#### Comment

Six (6) of (6) six 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. Also that Consultant discussed safe sleeping requirements with the Owner during the inspection visit.

## Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 4

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 03/23/2022	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/04/2021	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 06/11/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 11/06/2021	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Met

#### Comment

Three (3) of three (3) 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.

## Staffing and Supervision

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper ratios and classroom capacities were discussed with the director on this date.

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

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