



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 8/4/2017      **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit      **Arrival:** 10:20 AM      **Departure:** 2:50 PM

**CCLC-26100**

**First Baptist Church Children's Learning Center**

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<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.
08/04/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/31/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/20/2016	Monitoring Visit	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	101	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Diapering
Main	102	One Year Olds	2	7	C	8	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	103	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	10	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	110	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	14	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	113		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	
Main	115	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	13	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	116	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	117	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	12	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	118	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	9	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Upstairs-Room A		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Main	Upstairs-Room B		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 85			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	88	C
Main	Toddler Playground	15	C

### **Comments**

Follow up to the previous Licensing Study that was conducted on January 31, 2017 was completed on this date.

Emergency plans and drills were discussed with the provider.  
Comprehensive criminal record checks were discussed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/04/2017

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).



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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), e-mail the following information to [CCSRefutations@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.al.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://dec.al.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)

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Sarah Ward, Program Official

Date

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Colleen Covey, Consultant

Date



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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

### Activities and Equipment

**591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)** **Met**

#### Comment

All furniture was observed to be secured on this date.

**591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)** **N/A**

#### Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Facility

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

#### Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

#### Comment

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

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

#### Finding

Previously Cited: 591-1-1-.26(7) requires that climbing and swinging equipment be anchored and have a resilient surface beneath the equipment. The fall-zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined by consultant's observation that the yellow exit area of the slide did not have resilient surfacing.

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 by consultant's observation that the exit area of the yellow slide in the grassy area did not have resilient surfacing.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Previously Cited: The Center will ensure that climbing and swinging equipment is anchored. The Center will develop and/or follow a plan for routine inspections of the resilient surface and for replacing when needed.

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: 8/4/2017**

**Recited on 8/4/2017**

<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas &amp; Practices(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-Proper Diapering

<b>591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

<b>591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation

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

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

<b>591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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**Comment**

No Field Trips at This Time

<b>591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

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

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires the Center to ensure that every Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of the Child Care Learning Center has a satisfactory records check determination before the individual is present at the Center or before the individual resides in a Center. It was determined by a review of staff files that two out of twenty four staff members had not completed the required criminal record checks prior to being present at the facility.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will obtain the Required Satisfactory Records Check Determination before an individual is present at the Center while any child is present for care or before residing in a Center.

**Correction Deadline: 8/4/2017**

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

Discussed new core rule with Director.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff