



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 2/27/2019    **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 2:00 PM    **Departure:** 6:15 PM

**CCLC-47715**

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**Quality Rated:**

<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.
02/27/2019	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/27/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
12/05/2018	POI Follow Up	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	
Building 2	A - Infants - 18 mths	Six Year Olds and Over	1	12	C	11	NC	NA	NA	Free Play	
Building 2	B - 18 mths - 2 yrs	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play	
Building 2	C1 - 3 yrs - 4 yrs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	15	NC	NA	NA	Outside	
Building 2	C2 - 5 yrs - 13 yrs		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 68			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Building Department					
Main	A - All ages	One Year Olds	1	6	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play	
Main	B- all ages	One Year Olds	1	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 18			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Centers Request					
Total # Children this Date: 51		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 86			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0						

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building 2	Playground	34	C
Main	All Ages	7	C

**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/27/2019

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

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), e-mail the following information to [CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us](mailto: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.

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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)



#### Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

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](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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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**

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

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

Met

#### **Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

### Facility

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

Met

#### **Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Met

#### **Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

#### **Comment**

Main playground observed to be clean and in good repair.  
Discussed that infant/toddler play area was currently under construction.

### Food Service

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

Met

**Correction Deadline: 12/5/2018**

Corrected on 2/27/2019

.15(2) - There were currently were no infants in care, the children had turned one years of age.

## 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)

Technical Assistance

#### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.17 - Please review handwashing rules with staff and ensure hands are washed as required.

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

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

## Safety

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

Technical Assistance

#### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.11(1) - Appropriate use of time out discussed. Please ensure if the method is used it is limited to one minute per a child's age and children are not force to stand or sit in a corner or face a wall.

**Correction Deadline: 2/27/2019**

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

Not Met

#### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) - Please ensure the liner located on the roof of the van is repaired.

**Correction Deadline: 2/28/2019**

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(b) requires that an emergency medical information record be maintained in the vehicle for each child being transported. The emergency medical information record for each child shall include a listing of the child's full name, date of birth, allergies, special medical needs and conditions, current prescribed medications that the child is required to take on a daily basis for a chronic condition, the name and telephone number of the child's doctor, the local medical facility that the Center uses in the area where the Center is located and the telephone numbers where the Parents can be reached. It was determined based on observation that children were transported from Boyd Elementary, Woodson Elementary, Usher Elementary and Kipp Strive without vehicle emergency forms.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain a complete emergency medical information record for each child that is transported and maintain a copy on the vehicle. A copy of the forms shall also be maintained in the transportation binder in the center.

**Correction Deadline: 2/27/2019**

Recited on 2/27/2019

## Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

There were currently no infant children in care.

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**Records Reviewed: 9****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

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Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/29/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 01/07/2019

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2018

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 01/10/2018

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 12/05/2018

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 02/12/2018

Staff # 7

Not Met

Date of Hire: 11/08/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 05/30/2017

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 10/17/2016

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**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9**

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

**Comment**

Director provided 2 files for employees hired since last visit.

**Correction Deadline: 10/31/2018**

Corrected on 2/27/2019  
.09(1)(c) - previous cite corrected.

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

Met

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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

Met

**Comment**

Discussed combining children of mixed ages.

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

Met

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.