



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Date: 3/29/2018 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:30 AM **Departure:** 4:00 PM

CCLC-48755

Bright Promises of Hartwell

92 Maret Drive Hartwell, GA 30643 Hart County
 (706) 376-2068 stoneapril610@gmail.com

Regional Consultant

Iko Blackmon

Phone: (404) 276-7844

Fax: (770) 342-3060

iko.blackmon@decal.ga.gov

Mailing Address

Same

Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
03/29/2018	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/09/2018	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	

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 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-1R Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	2	10	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding
Main	B-1L Back	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	7	C	9	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	C-1L front	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Centers, Transitioning
Main	D-Left hall 1R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	20	C	24	C	NA	NA	TV, Centers
Main	E-left hall back	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	15	C	24	C	NA	NA	TV, Centers, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 80						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 60			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 80			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back left Playground	25	C
Main	Back Right Playground	14	C
Main	Front Playground	55	C

Comments

4-3-18 - A revised copy of the visit report was emailed to the Center this date.

3-29-18 - The Child care Learning Center program was granted the Final Renewable License this date. The total Licensed capacity of the Center measured at 80 children, based on previously approved measurement of five (5) of five (5) classrooms. However, the total Licensed capacity of the Center is limited to 75 children, due to the number of toilets and sinks located in the Center.

Additionally, 25 Square Foot approval was granted to the Center this date, regarding Room E (Left – Hall - Third - Left (3L) – Pre-K –School – Age), for children ages three-years and older, during two (2) separate hours; 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Consultant discussed the conditions of the 25 Square Foot approval with the Center this date as follows:

During the approved two (2) separate hours, the Center shall operate Room E at the 25 Square Foot capacity of 34 children. However, due to the number of toilets and sinks present in the Center, the Center's total Licensed capacity shall not exceed 75 children at any time.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/29/2018

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).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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.al.ga.gov/> 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.

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.

- 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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.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

Nina Smith, Program Official

Date

Iko Blackmon, Consultant

Date



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334
Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Findings Report

Date: 3/29/2018 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:30 AM **Departure:** 4:00 PM

CCLC-48755

Bright Promises of Hartwell

92 Maret Drive Hartwell, GA 30643 Hart County
(706) 376-2068 stoneapril610@gmail.com

Mailing Address
Same

Regional Consultant

Iko Blackmon

Phone: (404) 276-7844

Fax: (770) 342-3060

iko.blackmon@decal.ga.gov

The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

On this date, Consultant observed equipment, furniture and toys throughout the Center, to be non - hazardous, fully - secured, and not able to cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, the Center Director/Administrator stated that the program will not participate in Swimming activities. Consultant discussed Swimming requirements with Center Director/Administrator, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to Center Director/Administrator that prior to participating in Swimming activities, in water two (2) feet in depth or greater, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review Swimming Rules.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.06(2) - Consultant discussed previous Bathroom citation with Bright from the Start: Applicant Services Unit Manager, and received permission to Defer citation this date. The Center submitted a Variance Application to the Department regarding the Bathroom Rule. The Variance is currently under review and pending Department determination. Consultant shall follow - up with the Center, once a Department determination has been reached.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide bathrooms within 40 feet in distance from Room D and Room E.

Correction Deadline: 4/8/2018

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2018

Corrected on 3/29/2018

.06(5) - Previous citation observed corrected. On this date, Consultant observed privacy screens to be placed between toilets located in the front right - side hallway bathroom.

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

The total Licensed capacity of the Center measured at 80 children, based on previously approved measurement of five (5) of five (5) classrooms. However, the total Licensed capacity of the Center is limited to 75 children, due to the number of toilets and sinks located in the Center.

Additionally, 25 Square Foot approval was granted to the Center this date, regarding Room E (Left – Hall - Third - Left (3L) – Pre-K –School – Age), for children ages three-years and older, during two (2) separate hours; 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Consultant discussed the conditions of the 25 Square Foot approval with the Center this date as follows:

During the approved two (2) separate hours, the Center shall operate Room E at the 25 Square Foot capacity of 34 children. However, due to the number of toilets and sinks present in the Center, the Center's total Licensed capacity shall not exceed 75 children at any time.

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****Correction Deadline: 3/23/2018****Corrected on 3/29/2018**

.26(4) - Previous citation observed corrected. On this date, Consultant observed all fencing located on Playground A to measure greater than four (4) feet in height. Consultant also observed no gaps to be present in the right side - corner fence post area on Playground A or throughout Playground fencing. Further, Consultant discussed with Center Director and Owner to monitor all Playground fencing and correct/repair as needed, to ensure ongoing compliance.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2018**Corrected on 3/29/2018**

.26(6) - Previous citation observed corrected. On this date, Consultant observed the hazardous picnic table to be removed from Playground A, and all Playground swings and equipment to meet requirements. Consultant also discussed with Center Director and Owner, to ensure that ongoing direct supervision and monitoring of children is provided by Center Staff, during all use of Playground equipment. Further, Consultant discussed with Center Director and Owner to monitor all Playground equipment and correct/repair as needed, to ensure ongoing compliance.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2018**Corrected on 3/29/2018**

.26(9) - Previous citation observed corrected. On this date, Consultant observed Playgrounds A, B and C to be free from hazards. Consultant also discussed with Center Director and Owner to monitor all Playground areas and correct/repair as needed, to ensure ongoing compliance.

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**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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)**Met****Comment**

The Center Director and Owner stated that the Center will not provide Field Trips at this time. Consultant discussed with Center Director and Owner, all requirements needed in order to transport and conduct field trips with children. Consultant also stated to Center Director and Owner that prior to providing Field Trips, the Center is required to complete and maintain documentation of current CPR and First - Aid Training, as well as two (2) clock hours of Transportation Training, regarding the Center Director and all Center Staff participating in any aspect of Transportation. Further, Consultant stated to Center Director and Owner, that prior to providing Field Trips, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review all Field Trip requirements.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

The Center Director and Owner stated that the Center will not provide routine Transportation and Field Trips at this time. Consultant discussed with Center Director and Owner, all requirements needed in order to transport and conduct field trips with children. Consultant also stated to Center Director and Owner that prior to providing Transportation and/or Field Trips, the Center is required to complete and maintain documentation of current CPR and First - Aid Training, as well as two (2) clock hours of Transportation Training, regarding the Center Director and all Center Staff participating in any aspect of Transportation. Further, Consultant stated to Center Director and Owner, that prior to providing Transportation and/or Field Trips, the Center is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review all Transportation and Field Trip requirements.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

On this date, Consultant observed 10 of 10 cribs used for sleeping and resting, to meet Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards. Consultant also discussed all Infant Safe Sleeping and Resting requirements with Center Director and Owner, prior to the visit and on this date. Further, Consultant observed a pleasant nap time environment, and discussed cot and mat disinfecting requirements with Center Director and Owner on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2018

Corrected on 3/29/2018

.30(2) - Previous citation observed corrected. On this date, Consultant observed no toys or other objects to be present in cribs with Infants in the First - Right (1R) Infant Room A.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 14**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 01/11/2018

Records Reviewed: 14

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 2 Met
Date of Hire: 12/19/2017

Staff # 4 Met
Date of Hire: 06/23/2017

Staff # 5 Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2017

Staff # 8 Met
Date of Hire: 03/09/2017

Staff # 10 Met
Date of Hire: 09/13/1999

Staff # 13 Met
Date of Hire: 12/26/2005

Records Reviewed: 14

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 3 Met
Date of Hire: 10/20/2010

Staff # 6 Met
Date of Hire: 11/01/2012

Staff # 7 Met
Date of Hire: 06/23/2015

Staff # 9 Met
Date of Hire: 04/15/2016

Staff # 11 Met
Date of Hire: 12/29/2016

Staff # 12 Met
Date of Hire: 07/01/1994

Staff # 14 Met
Date of Hire: 02/12/2003

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 14

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)

Met

Comment

On this date, Consultant observed a Satisfactory COGENT Criminal Records Check Determination letter, regarding 14 of 14 Center Employees. Consultant also discussed all COGENT Criminal Records Check requirements with Center Director/Administrator and Owner, prior to the visit and on this date.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, Consultant observed Staff qualifications to meet requirements. Consultant also discussed with Center Director/Owner that all Lead Staff must enroll in an approved education program within six (6) months of Licensing/employee hire date, and complete the program within 18 months of Licensing/employee hire date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

On this date, Consultant obtained a signed and dated written Supervision Plan from the Center, regarding Bathrooms, areas of classrooms not within direct line of sight, Playground equipment and non - Licensed outdoor areas.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2018

Corrected on 3/29/2018

.32(7) - Previous citation observed corrected. On this date, Consultant observed the Center to provide direct Supervision and watchful oversight to all children in care.