



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/19/2020 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-52348

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
02/19/2020	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing

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 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
Building 2	G (right)		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Outside
Building 2	H		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 41					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Main	A-5th Left	Infants	2	6	C	19	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B-4th Left	One Year Olds	1	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap
Main	C-3rd Left	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap
Main	D-2nd Left	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	E- 1st Left	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap,Free Play
Main	F-Gym		0	0	C	0	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 87					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 43			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 128			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Front	42	C
Main	Playground B-back	99	C

Comments

The permanent license was issued this date. The program did not have liability insurance and had the required posting.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/19/2020

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.al.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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

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).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov

Tanya Miles, Program Official

Date

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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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable. Rooms were observed with an adequate amount of toys and play materials.

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

N/A

Comment

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

Facility

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

Met

Comment

The small room near the stage is now storage/teacher's lounge and the gym capacity was removed, since it is not used as a traditional classroom.

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)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Due to inclement weather, the playground was saturated and children have had limited time on the playground in the last few days. Before children go outside, staff will ensure that all standing water is removed from any equipment and resilient surface is fluffed as needed in fall zones. Also discussed that the wooden equipment and borders should be maintained free of hazards such as splintering woods and loose/protruding screws. The center has plans to order and provide a new resilient material in fall zones once the weather is clear. Testing data has been reviewed and will be kept on file for the material.

Discussed maintaining metal equipment free of rust and chipping paint, and discussed monitoring the tall slide on Playground B and possibly replacing the metal frame/steps.

Discussed the fall zones for swings should be the length of the chain plus seven feet in front and back of each swing bay. The center will either remove swings or revise swing set fall zones.

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Proper diapering procedures discussed.

Finding

591-1-1-.10(3) requires Center Staff to change diapers in the child's own crib or on a diaper changing surface that is used for no purposes other than changing diapers and other clothing in each room where infants or any other children wearing diapers are served. It was determined based on observation that Room C that housed 2-year-old children did not have a diaper change table located inside the room.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that a diaper change table is added to the room for diaper changes.

Correction Deadline: 4/1/2020

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation or field trips at this time. Discussed with the director that prior to providing transportation and/or field trips, staff are required to complete and maintain documentation of current CPR and First - Aid Training, as well as two (2) clock hours of transportation training. In addition, prior to providing transportation, the regional consultant will be contacted to discuss and review all transportation requirements.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Cribs in Room A were observed in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards. Infants were observed placed on their backs in their cribs for nap.

Correction Deadline: 2/29/2020

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 18**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 08/14/2008	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 07/31/2019	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 04/29/2019	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 06/01/2018	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 08/09/2019	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 07/25/2018	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 12/19/2019	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 01/27/2020	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 02/04/2020	Met

Records Reviewed: 18

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Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 08/01/2019	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 05/01/2019	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 07/29/2019	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 02/15/2018	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 08/15/2016	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 03/29/2018	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 09/04/2019	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 10/02/2002	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 01/05/2017	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Comment

A satisfactory comprehensive determination letter was observed on file for eighteen current staff members.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR **Met**

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Met**

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff health and safety orientation training for all required staff.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) **Not Met**

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Finding

591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2 requires the Director to possess at least one of the sets of minimum academic requirements and qualifying child care experience listed in Rule 591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2.(i-xiii). It was determined based on observation and the director's verbal statement, that the director did not possess one of the minimum education credentials.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director meets the minimum education and work requirements and secure the necessary documentation. The director will enroll in a program by 4/3/2020. The director plans to enroll in a TCC program.

Correction Deadline: 4/3/2020

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs. A supervision plan was developed for the hall restroom and diapering.