



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/15/2020 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

| Compliance Zone Designation | | |
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| 04/15/2020 | 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 |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|----------|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|--------------|-------|
| One | A Infant | | 0 | 0 | C | 10 | C | NA | NA | |
| One | B-Toddler | | 0 | 0 | C | 15 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 25 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | 0 | | |
| Three | D | | 0 | 0 | C | 15 | C | NA | NA | |
| Three | E | | 0 | 0 | C | 14 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 29 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | 0 | | |
| Two | C | | 0 | 0 | C | 28 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 28 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | 0 | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 0 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | 82 | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | 0 | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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| One | A | 5 | C |
| One | B | 63 | C |
| One | C | 16 | C |

Comments

Program was issued permission to operate this date. The program does not have liability insurance but had the required posting.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/15/2020

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

Kathy Blige, Program Official

Date

Brianne Walters, Consultant

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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured.

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

Met

Comment

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

Facility

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

Met

Comment

The program was limited to 78 by the City of Savannah business approval letter dated March 11, 2020.

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)

Not Met

Comment

The swings were removed from the swingset during the visit since the fall zones in back were not adequate in that they should have been at least 11 feet 4 inches and only 8 1/2 feet were present from the swing to the fence (length of chain plus 7 feet).

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 observation that there were protruding bolts located at the corner and gates on the chain link fencing located on the 3 playgrounds.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The bolts will be cut to no more than 2 threads beyond the nut, and will be sanded so there are no sharp edges. 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: 4/29/2020

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| Health and Hygiene |
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591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)
Met**Comment**

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date. Diapering areas observed met during the visit.

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

Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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

The center's discipline policy was reviewed and regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the director.

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

A current/completed annual inspection was observed for the vehicle used in transporting children. The director and driver had evidence of the biannual transportation training.

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

The correct number of cots, sheets and blankets were observed.

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. Mattresses were observed firm and bottom sheets were observed tight fitting.

Correction Deadline: 4/25/2020

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| Staff Records |
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Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

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| Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 04/15/2020 | Met |
| Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 04/15/2020 | Met |
| Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 04/15/2020 | Met |
| Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 04/15/2020 | Met |
| Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 04/15/2020 | Met |
| Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 04/15/2020 | Met |

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete for 11 staff.

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

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Proper ratios and classroom capacities were discussed with the director on this date.

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

Comment

Proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, was discussed with the director on this date. A supervision plan was developed for use of the restroom in the dining room and due to the shape of Playground B.