



**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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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 11/9/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 12:30 PM

**Departure:** 4:00 PM

**CCLC-12142**

**DADE HEAD START / EARLY HEAD START**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
11/09/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
02/16/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/29/2021	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
Main	1L-Room 5 (0-24 mo.)	Two Year Olds	2	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	1R-Room 1 (3-4's)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2L-One and two Year Olds	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	6	C	14	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2R-Room 2 (3-4's)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3L-Room 4 (16-35 mo.)	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3R-Room 3 (3-4's)	Infants and One Year Olds	2	5	C	21	C	NA	NA	Story, Floor Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 107

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 50

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 107

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	0-35 mo.	23	C
Main	3-4's	35	C

**Comments**

A Licensing Study was completed on November 9, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/09/2022

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



### Important Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

**Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA [www.decalkoala.com](http://www.decalkoala.com) with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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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Lisa Payne-Rice, Program Official

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Date

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Chasity Baugh, Consultant

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The following information is associated with a 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, as applicable.

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

**N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records**

**Records Reviewed: 5**

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

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

**591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**

**Met**

**Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**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**

Center appears clean and well maintained.

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Met****Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

**Food Service****591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

**Health and Hygiene****591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed 591-1-1-.10(1) which requires Centers first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that are renovated after March 1, 1991, to provide ventilation in the diapering areas with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open.

**Correction Deadline: 11/9/2022****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-.36 Transportation(CR)****N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

**Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed 591-1-1-.30(1)(d) which requires that all sleeping and resting equipment shall be arranged to avoid obstructing access to exit doors, to provide the caregivers access to each child, and to prevent children's access to cords hanging from window treatments and other hazardous objects. To reduce the transfer of airborne diseases, sleeping and resting equipment shall be arranged as follows. There shall be a minimum of twenty-four inch (24") corridor between each row of sleeping or resting equipment. There shall be a minimum of twelve inches (12") between each piece of sleeping or resting equipment in each row of equipment. Children shall be placed on cots and mats so that one child's head is toward another child's feet in the same row.

**Correction Deadline: 11/9/2022**

<b>Staff Records</b>
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<b>Records Reviewed: 20</b>	<b>Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0</b>
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Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/11/2022	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 11/11/2019	
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 09/01/1997	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2019	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 10/04/2021	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 05/08/2018	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 03/31/2014	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 06/11/2018	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 10/11/2021	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 08/27/1999	
Staff # 12	Met

**Records Reviewed: 20**

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

Date of Hire: 07/23/2018

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 10/20/2009

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 08/10/2020

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 11/13/2000

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 09/16/2019

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 10/19/2020

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2022

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 06/11/2018

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 08/06/2006

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8**

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

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

**Comment**

Please be mindful of training expiration dates. Consultant discussed department approved CPR and First Aid Certification, online CPR and First Aid certification is not approved

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

**Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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

**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**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.