



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 6/8/2022    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 10:00 AM    **Departure:** 11:25 AM

**CCLC-749**

**Teach "O" Rea Preparatory School**

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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.
06/08/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
11/16/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/06/2021	Complaint Closure	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- 1st Right-	Infants	0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	B- 2nd Rt-	1 y/o	1	6	C	8	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C- 1st Rt-	Pre-K	2	9	C	25	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	E- Upstairs-	3 y/o	2	10	C	26	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	F- 2nd Rt-	2 y/o	1	11	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G	Six Year Olds and Over	1	16	C	11	NC	NA	NA	Homework
Main	H--	Pre-K	0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 133

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 52

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 133

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	2nd Playground	11	C
Main	3rd Playground	55	C
Main	Back/Large Playground	213	C
Main	Front Playground	23	C
Main	Infant Playground	3	C

**Comments**

A onsite inspection was conducted on June 8, 2022 with the Director Emma Cole. Background checks were all reviewed on June 8, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/08/2022

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)

Emma Cole, Program Official

Date

Jessica Johnson, Consultant

Date



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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**

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

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

**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**

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

**Facility**

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**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.06(4) requires a Center first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that remodel or add to existing plumbing facilities, to have the bathroom area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system and requires Centers without fully enclosed bathrooms to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It was determined based on observation that the restrooms in classroom C first right did not have ventilation and the window would not open. It was further determined that based on observation the restrooms in classroom E did not have ventilation and the window would not open.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will fully enclose and ventilate bathroom areas, as required, and will provide adequate ventilation and sanitation in bathrooms that are not fully enclosed.

**Correction Deadline: 7/8/2022**

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**591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.19(2) allows a Center to designate two specific one hour periods each day when only 25 square feet of space per child is provided for children three years of age and older in their assigned rooms or areas. This provision is intended to account for increased attendance for before-school and after-school care. It was determined based on observation that after school classroom G had 16 children present on this date. The maximum 35 square feet capacity for classroom G is 11. It was further determined

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will limit the children to three years and older and will limit the time to the designated two hours in the approved rooms. The Center will submit a new request for approval before changing the approved hours or rooms.

**Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022**

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

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that classroom B had grocery bags in the cubbies.

**Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were observed:

Classroom C second right

- Cracks in floor near TV, black area, and book area.

Classroom E upstairs

- Rust vent in restroom

- Air conditioner cord hanging.

- Blue cords hanging in closet.

**Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022**

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

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

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

591-1-1-.10 - Consultant discussed diapering requirements with staff member on this date.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.20(1) requires Personnel to obtain specific written authorization from the child's physician or parent in order to dispense prescription or non-prescription medications, except for first aid. Such authorization will include when applicable, date; full name of the child; name of the medication; prescription number, if any; dosage; the dates to be given; the time of day to be dispensed; and signature of parent. It was determined based on a review of documentation that medication given on May 31, 2022 was not authorized for that date. It was further determined that medication was given at 12:00 p.m. on June 2, 2022 and not at the authorized time.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will train Staff to obtain and review parental authorizations to ensure the authorization contains complete information. The designated person(s) will monitor daily.

**Correction Deadline: 7/19/2022****Recited on 6/8/2022**

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**Safety**

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**591-1-1-.05 Animals****Met****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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**591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)****Met****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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**Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 9****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

**Records Reviewed: 9**

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

Date of Hire: 07/07/1993

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 07/07/1993

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 06/13/1999

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/2021

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 09/20/2013

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 09/15/1996

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 10/23/2013

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 09/28/2020

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2021

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10**

**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**

**Correction Deadline: 12/16/2021**

**Corrected on 6/8/2022**

**.14(2) - It was determined based on review of records that the citation was corrected. Consultant observed first aid and CPR certification complete.**

**Correction Deadline: 11/26/2021**

**Corrected on 6/8/2022**

**.14(3) - It was determined based on observation that the center is not currently providing routine transportation.**

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Staffing and Supervision**

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**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**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.