



**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:** 9/22/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 11:00 AM

**Departure:** 12:15 PM

**CCLC-35618**

**1-2-3 Tots Learning Center**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

| <u>Compliance Zone Designation</u> |                  |               | <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.<br><br><b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.<br><b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.<br><b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 09/22/2022                         | Licensing Study  | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 04/22/2022                         | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 09/29/2021                         | Licensing Study  | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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### 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-FRONT   |           | 0                             | 0        | C    | 34         | C            | NA         | NA           |       |
| MAIN                           | B- MIDDLE |           | 0                             | 0        | C    | 32         | C            | NA         | NA           |       |
| MAIN                           | C-BACK    |           | 0                             | 0        | C    | 11         | C            | NA         | NA           |       |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 77 |           |           | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |          |      |            |              |            |              |       |
| Total # Children this Date: 0  |           |           | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |          |      |            |              |            |              |       |

| Building | Playground     | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| MAIN     | A-TODDLER      | 16                   | C                     |
| MAIN     | B-(3-12 YEARS) | 28                   | C                     |

### Comments

This is the first regulatory visit of the fiscal year.

The center has been closed since March of 2020. There are currently no children enrolled at the center.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/22/2022

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/RuleAndRegulations.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)

Yolanda Williams, Program Official

Date

Chrissy Miller, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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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.

**591-1-1.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**

**N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

### Evening Care

**591-1-1.32 Staffing/Supervision(CR)**

**Not Evaluated**

**Comment**

No evening care hours observed during the visit.

### 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)**

**Technical Assistance**

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591-1-1.25 - Discussed placing a barrier around the cooling equipment before children are enrolled at the center.

**591-1-1.26 Playgrounds(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

## 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)

N/A

#### Comment

There were no diapered children enrolled in the program on this date.

### 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

#### Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the owner on this date.

### 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

N/A

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

## Policies and Procedures

### 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Technical Assistance

#### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.21(3) - Discussed conducting and documenting all emergency drills upon reopening the center.

**Correction Deadline: 9/27/2022**

### 591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices

Met

#### Comment

Please make sure that all required signs are posted and up to date.

## Safety

### 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

#### Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the owner on this date.

### 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

## Sleeping & Resting Equipment

### 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the owner on this date.

## Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 1

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4**

**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**

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

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Discussed obtaining annual staff training for 2022. The center has been closed since March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**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**

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper ratios and classroom capacities were discussed with the owner on this date.

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

**Not Evaluated**

**Comment**

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, was discussed with the owner on this date.