



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

**Date:** 8/6/2021      **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study      **Arrival:** 9:30 AM      **Departure:** 11:30 AM

**CCLC-54455**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
08/06/2021	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
Main	A - Left Front		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	B - Left 2nd Right		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	C - Left 1st Right		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	D - Middle Room		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	E - 2nd Right		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	F - 1st Right		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 114

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 0

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 270

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - Left Front	43	C
Main	B - Left Rear	57	C
Main	C - Right	47	C
Main	D - Patio	9	C

**Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on August 6, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on August 6, 2021. Temporary License issued on this date. Renewable license will be issued when documentation of water and sewer is provided. Facility does carry liability insurance. Capacity limited based on amount of equipment available.

The program submitted the required verification of Water and Sewer service. The program was granted Permission to Operate on September 15, 2021.

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



### Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

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](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov)

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](mailto: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)

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Shiketa Morgan, Program Official

Date

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Twylah Tyner, Consultant

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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.

#### Comment

Swings removed from playground on this date to meet fall zone rules.

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

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site this date.

### Facility

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

#### Comment

Capacity limited to 114 based on equipment available on this date. Temporary license issued this date. Renewable license will be issued after documentation of water and sewer received.

**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)** **Met**

#### Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

#### Comment

No swings on playground on this date.

### Food Service

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

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk  
5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk  
2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

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**Health and Hygiene**

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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff stated proper procedures. Sinks with warm running water observed adjacent to proper diapering surfaces in all classrooms approved for diapering.

**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 director on this date.

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

Discussed medication documentation, administration and storage.

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**Safety**

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

Consultant discussed appropriate discipline and guidance techniques with the Director.

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper field trip documentation and regulations regarding checklists, name tags and permission forms was discussed on this date.

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

No children enrolled at this time. Vehicle information, insurance, first aid kit and fire extinguisher were observed.

**Correction Deadline: 8/11/2021**

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Consultant discussed safe sleeping requirements with the Owner during the inspection visit.

**Comment**

Twelve (12) of twelve (12) cribs were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards as they were manufactured in 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2016.

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**Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 5****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1**

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

Five (5) of five (5) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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**Staffing and Supervision**

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**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 director on this date.

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

A supervision plan was created on this date for Classroom B and C due to position of diaper changing table; Classroom E and F due to classroom layout and Front left and Right playground due to the shape of the playgrounds.

**Comment**

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