



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

**Date:** 7/29/2021    **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 12:30 PM    **Departure:** 3:30 PM

**CCLC-54220**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
07/29/2021	Initial Licensing Study	NA

**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-CR-A	3 year olds	0	0	C	26	C	NA	NA	
Main	2L-CR-B	4 year olds	0	0	C	26	C	NA	NA	
Main	Art Room		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	Media Center		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	Music Room		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	Space Computer Lab		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 115

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 0

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 115

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground B	29	C

**Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on July 28, 2021. Staff files, children files, training, and background checks were all received. An in person initial Licensing Study was conducted on July 29, 2021. The exit conference was conducted virtually on August 6, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with the Director. Temporary License was issued on this date. Facility carries Liability Insurance. A permanent license will be issued once the facility receives their Permanent Certificate of Occupancy from the Fire Marshall. The overall capacity is 52 children.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/29/2021

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.decal.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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov)

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@decal.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@decal.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://decal.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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Sonya Okoli, Program Official

Date

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Toni Williams, 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.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

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

### Facility

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center. A temporary license was issue on this date. A final license will be issued upon receipt of final Certificate of Occupancy by the Fire Marshall. The overall licensed capacity is 52 children.

**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**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

### Health and Hygiene

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

No diapering children served and the Consultant discussed the American Disability Act guidelines and alternate methods used for diapering.

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**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 during the inspection visit.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation , administration and storage..

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**Safety**

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. The Consultant discussed appropriate discipline and guidance techniques with the Director.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation or field trips. Consultant discussed transportation requirements if/when the facility decides to incorporate transportation. The Center will contact their regional consultant and complete the required two(2) hours transportation training prior to transporting children.

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Center does not plan to serve infants and no cribs were evaluated on this date. Forty (40) of forty (40) cots were observed on this date.

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**Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 6****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 04/16/2021	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/29/2021	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/29/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 07/29/2021	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 07/29/2021	

Staff # 6

Met

Date of Hire: 07/29/2021

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 0**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete. 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.

**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 director on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

A supervision plan was created on this date for the route to the playground and for the bathrooms in the hallway.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure that there is a staff member in the hallway when the children use the restroom. The Center also will use rope and Staff members to ensure that rope and cones will accompany the children along the route to the playground.

**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.