



Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

Student Social Security Number Information

Bright from the Start requests that families provide Social Security Numbers for children attending Pre-K. Bright from the Start uses Social Security Numbers to insure accurate enrollment information, to help prevent fraudulent student attendance reporting, and to obtain a unique 10-digit identifier (GTID) for your child from the Georgia Department of Education which will then be associated with your child for the remainder of their schooling years instead of their Social Security Number. Social Security Numbers are not used by Bright from the Start for any other purpose. The Social Security Numbers are not shared with any other vendors or third parties and, for security reasons, they are encrypted in our database.

While a Social Security Number is not required to attend Georgia's Pre-K Program, it is beneficial to both you and your child to provide this information. If a Social Security Number is not given for a child, Bright from the Start requires that you specify a reason below to explain why the information is not being provided. This accommodates children who do not yet have a Social Security Number, children who are not required to have a Social Security Number and children whose families do not wish to have their child's Social Security Number used to confirm attendance with Georgia's Pre-K Program.

I, _____, as parent/legal guardian of _____, am not able/willing at this time to provide Bright from the Start with a Social Security Number because:

- I need help obtaining an SSN.
- I need help replacing a lost SSN.
- I am awaiting a replacement SSN and will provide when it arrives.
- I forgot to bring the SSN and will provide within 30 days.
- I choose not to provide the SSN because _____
_____.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Please keep this form in student file in lieu of SS Card Copy.