



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/22/2026 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 2:35 PM **Departure:** 5:40 PM

CCLC-51181

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Same

Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
01/22/2026	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/26/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/14/2024	MV POI Follow Up	Good Standing	

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-1R	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	12	NC	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	B-1L	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	D-3L		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 38			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 15			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
1	2	3	7	0	0	2

Comments

The consultant discussed the visit report with the Director, Andrea King, on January 22, 2026.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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

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 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)

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@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



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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

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/26/2025

Corrected on 1/22/2026

.08(1) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed complete student records.

Facility

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 restroom did not have a working vent in classroom B. Children are not currently using the restroom.

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: 1/30/2026

Recited on 1/22/2026

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

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Not Met
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Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Consultant discussed with director to ensure that the potential hazards are stored inaccessible to children in the restroom in classroom A-1R.

Correction Deadline: 1/22/2026

Finding

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 there were two holes in the exterior of the building on the playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the exterior wall repaired.

Correction Deadline: 1/30/2026

Recited on 1/22/2026

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical	Not Met
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Finding

591-1-1-.25(14) requires the Center to be lighted with a minimum of twenty-five foot candles of illumination except during rest periods. Areas used for napping shall be lit dimly. It was determined based on observation that the bulb did not provide 25 lumens of light in the restroom in classroom B.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure that appropriate lighting is provided, the center will put a working bulb in the fixture in the restroom in classroom B.

Correction Deadline: 1/23/2026

Recited on 1/22/2026

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 3/8/2025

Corrected on 1/22/2026

.26(6) -The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed the playground equipment and materials to be in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 2/26/2025

Corrected on 1/22/2026

.26(9) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed the playground to be clean and free from hazards.

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 2/26/2025

Corrected on 1/22/2026

.17(7) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed proper hand washing.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)	N/A
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Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.21(3) requires that the Center conduct drills for fire, tornado and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Center shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined based on review of records that the center did not have documentation for emergency drills conducted between January 2025 and September 2025.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hold the drills as required and keep the documentation of the drills on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 1/30/2026

Recited on 1/22/2026

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Staff stated knowledge of infant safe sleep practices to prevent SUIDS.

Correction Deadline: 2/26/2025

Corrected on 1/22/2026

.30(1)(b)3 - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed the center to have bedding for seven of seven children in classroom A.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 2

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/27/2019

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/31/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

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

Met

Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit February 26, 2025.

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2025

Corrected on 1/22/2026

.14(2) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed 100 percent of center staff to have current certification in pediatric first aid/CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Not Met**

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2025

Corrected on 1/22/2026

.33(3)(a)-(k) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that 100 percent of staff had completed health and safety orientation training. Consultant discussed with the director that staff who took the eight-hour health and safety training need to take the ten-hour training by February 20, 2026.

Finding

Previously Cited: 91-1-1-.33(5) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules. It was determined based on review of records that staff #4, date of hire March 31, 2022, did not have evidence of ten clock hours annual training on file for 2024.

591-1-1-.33(5)(a) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers, shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. It was determined based on review of records that staff #2, hire date June 27, 2019, and staff #3, hire date March 31, 2022, did not have 10 hours of annual training on file for 2025.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Previously Cited: The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and ensure that the training includes two hours of language and literacy and two hours of health and safety or child development.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2026

Recited on 1/22/2026

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Finding

591-1-1-.32(2) requires the Center maintain Staff:child ratios in mixed-age groups based on the age of the youngest group of children that includes more than twenty percent of the total number of children in the mixed-age group. It was determined based on observation that the ratio was 1:12 in classroom A-1R. There were three 2-year-old children, seven 3-year-old children, and two school aged children. A ratio of 2:12 was required. Center staff placed the two-year-old children with the one-year-old and infant children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide adequate staff when there is a mixed-age group.

Correction Deadline: 1/22/2026

Finding

591-1-1-.32(4) requires that children under three years old be housed in separate physical areas from older children and cannot be mixed with older children except at specified times and circumstances. It was determined based on observation that three 2-year-old children were housed with seven 3-year-old children and two school-aged children in classroom A - 1R.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will maintain separation of these children under three years old.

Correction Deadline: 1/22/2026

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

Correction Deadline: 2/26/2025

Corrected on 1/22/2026

.32(7) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed adequate supervision on this date.