



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/8/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 8:45 AM **Departure:** 11:35 AM

CCLC-65939

Tomorrow's Child of Adairsville

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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.
09/08/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/01/2025	Initial Licensing Study	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	A1-Right Hallway-1R (Front) Younger 3's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	14	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	A2- Right Hallway-1R (Back) Older 3's		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	B1-Right Hallway-2R (Front) - ASP		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	B2-Right Hallway-2R (Back)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	19	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	C- Mid-Center Room - GaPreK/ASP	GA PreK	2	15	C	23	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	D1 Left Hallway-1R-2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D2- Left Hallway-2R-1's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	18	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	E- Left Hallway-1L Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	2	10	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap,Free Play,Feeding
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 149			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 73			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A/S	78	C
Main	Infants-Two's Playground	20	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
11	14	17	30	17	0	8

Comments

The consultant reviewed the weather chart and new rule changes that took effect on July 1, 2025. The consultant went over the report with the provider.

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



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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a LS:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 19

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 7

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/18/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 8

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/10/2025

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Staff # 10

Not Met

Date of Hire: 05/12/2025

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.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 13

Not Met

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Staff # 15

Not Met

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591-1-1-.03 Activities**Met****Comment**

Lesson Plans were observed to be posted and reflected the current weeks activities in each classroom.

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.12(1) requires each Employee and child in attendance to use all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use. All equipment and furniture shall be used only by the age-appropriate group of children. It was determined based on observation that in classroom D1, the children were climbing shelves in the back of the room and sitting in the white sink on the left side of that classroom, which is used for handwashing. It was further observed in classroom D2 that a child was standing on a drum set, and another child was sitting in the playset sink in the back of the classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure Staff are trained in and children are taught the proper use of all furniture, materials and equipment; will implement a plan for this information to be reviewed with both groups on an ongoing basis; and for monitoring proper and age-appropriate usage.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2025**Finding**

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based on observation in classrooms A1, B2, C, D1, and D2 that the furniture and equipment were not secured from tipping, falling, being pulled, or pushed over. It was further observed that in classroom D1, eight green chairs were stacked on the right side of the classroom. It was also observed in D2 classroom that there was a pink horse, a white hippo, a yellow bumble bee, green dinosaurs, and a black hippo on top of the shelf on the left side of the classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the identified equipment or furniture and any other such existing or future items are secured adequately and will have a system for checking these for stability.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2025**Correction Deadline: 5/1/2025****Prior Visits: 04/01/2025****Corrected on 9/8/2025**

.12(6) - The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed Classroom B1 with age-appropriate toys and equipment accessible to the children; the classroom was closed on today's visit.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Staff # 5

Not Met

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.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 7

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591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**Met****Comment**

Parent agreements observed obtained/completed.

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 7

Not Met

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591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**Met****Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

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

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(8) - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure the outlets are being covered.

Correction Deadline: 9/8/2025**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that on the right playground, the red and green car had a nail sticking out from the ground that was supposed to be bolted to the ground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025**Food Service**

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2022

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.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 7

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/18/2025

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Staff # 8

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Date of Hire: 10/09/2024

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

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

Comment

Please ensure that bottles are covered and fully labeled with child's full name.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Discussed proper steps for dishwashing on this date.

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized on this date.

Health and Hygiene

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 7

Not Met

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

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed completed on this date.

Policies and Procedures

Staff # 5

Not Met

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Staff # 7

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

Met

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

Safety

Staff # 5 Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2022

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.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 7 Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/18/2025

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591-1-1-.05 Animals

N/A

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Met

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed on this date.

Comment

The consultant was unable to observe the transportation vehicle, fire extinguisher, and first aid kit due to the vehicle being off premises at the shop.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Staff # 5 Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2022

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.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 7 Not Met

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Staff # 8 Not Met

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Staff # 5 Not Met
 Date of Hire: 10/05/2022
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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(CR)**Met****Comment**

Evidence observed of 50% of center Staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

Discussed staff training. Please obtain required documentation.

Finding

591-1-1-.33(3)(a)-(k) requires each Staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: a) prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); b) prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; c) administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; d) prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; e) building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; f) prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; g) emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); h) handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; i) precautions in transporting children; j) recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and k) child development to include all major domains: cognitive; social and emotional; physical development and motor skills; communication, language, and literacy; and approaches to play and learning. It was determined based on review of staff files that staff members #7, #8, #10, #13, and #15 did not have evidence of their health and safety orientation training.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2025**Finding**

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 staff files that staff members #5 and #10 did not have evidence of their annual 10 hours of training for the year 2024.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 10/8/2025**591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)****Met****Comment**

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Date of Hire: 10/05/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 7

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/18/2025

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591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

591-1-1-.32(7) - The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure the staff member understands the importance of circulating throughout the classroom throughout the day.

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