



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/29/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-3990

Sanctuary Child Learning And Development Center

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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.
05/29/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/01/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/24/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
			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
Building 2	Room 1	One Year Olds	2	8	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Building 2	Room 2	One Year Olds	2	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Building 2	Room 3	Infants	2	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding
Building 2	Room 4	One Year Olds	2	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Building 2	Room 5	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Building 2	Room 6	Infants	2	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play
Building 2	Room 7	Infants and One Year Olds	2	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Building 2	Room 8	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 77					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Main	1st left 209 A	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	11	C	13	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	1st right 206	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	2nd left 209 B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	11	C	13	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	2nd right 204	Three Year Olds	2	9	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	3rd left 207	Three Year Olds	2	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	3rd right 202	Three Year Olds	2	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	4th left 205	Four Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	5th left 203	Four Year Olds	1	11	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	6th left 201	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	10	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers

Main	A	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	B	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	13	C	12	NC	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	12	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	D	Two Year Olds	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	13	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	F	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	10	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	G	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	H	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 230					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 222					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building 2	Infant Playground	36	C
Main	Large Preschool	41	C
Main	Small Toddler	31	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
28	67	54	61	42	22	0

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licensing Study.

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.decgal.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:

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 CAPS/ QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward an initial star rating. Provisional Status eligibility will be determined at the time of CAPS enrollment as part of the CAPS application process.

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 Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 62

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/05/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 13

Not Met

Date of Hire: 11/13/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 17

Not Met

Date of Hire: 11/07/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 28

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Date of Hire: 11/05/2024

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Staff # 49

Not Met

Date of Hire: 09/27/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 59

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591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(4) - Consultant discussed with Director to ensure the small aquariums in the upstairs classrooms 203 and 207 are secured to prevent tipping hazards.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2025**591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)****N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Staff # 3

Not Met

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

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility**Records Reviewed: 62****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6**

Staff # 3

Not Met

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

Consultant discussed with Director that classroom B has a Provider requested capacity limitation of 12, and to ensure the capacity is maintained, or an amendment is applied for in KOALA to remove the Provider requested capacity limitation.

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Consultant discussed with Director to monitor storage of ointments, sunscreen and bug spray and ensure they are stored in accessible to children at all times. Please remind staff to keep cabinets and diaper tables locked throughout the day, to ensure hazards do not become accessible.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2025

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 an observation that the following areas were not in good repair on this date:

- Classroom 201 (main building)- a water spot was observed on one ceiling tile
- Classroom 205 (main building) - the window sill was observed to have chipping/peeling paint
- upstairs girls bathroom in main building- one piece of trim was observed to be chipping and unattached from the wall
- Classroom A (main building)- the top of the window sill was observed to have chipping paint
- Classroom one (building two)- chipping paint was observed at the bottom of the floor baseboard behind the cribs

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2025

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Met****Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

Records Reviewed: 62

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6

Staff # 3 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/05/2024

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Staff # 13 Not Met

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Staff # 59 Not Met

Date of Hire: 09/16/2024

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

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

Staff # 3 Not Met

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.20(1) - Consultant discussed with Director to ensure completed parent authorization forms are provided prior to emergency or any medication being stored on site at center.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.20(2) requires that written authorization to dispense medication is limited to two weeks unless otherwise prescribed by a physician or authorized under Georgia law. Medication shall only be dispensed out of its original container which must be labeled with the child's name or as authorized under Georgia law. It was determined based on an observation that two tablets of Diastat (rectal gel) were stored in a ziploc baggie and not in the original container/packaging as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train all Staff on the medication requirements. The designated person(s) will monitor the dispensing of medications.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2025

Policies and Procedures**Records Reviewed: 62****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6**

Staff # 3

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591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**Met****Comment**

Please make sure that all required signs are posted and up to date.

Safety

Records Reviewed: 62**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6**

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591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

Animals maintained clean and appropriately caged.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**Records Reviewed: 62****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6**

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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 # 3 Not Met

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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.

Comment

Director provided 16 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Not Met

Comment

Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s).

Finding

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of records that staff members number three, 13, 17, 28, 49 and 59 did not have evidence of up to date CPR/First Aid training.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2025**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training****Met****Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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**Records Reviewed: 62****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6**

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.