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Date: 4/16/2026 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:30 AM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

CCLC-31738

The Galloway School

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Quality Rated: No

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.
04/16/2026	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/19/2025	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/19/2025	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	1R: D		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	1R: D		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	2R: C	Five Year Olds	2	13	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	2R: C	Five Year Olds	2	13	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	3R: B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	17	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	3R: B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	17	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	4R: A	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	3	11	C	17	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	4R: A	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	3	11	C	17	C	NA	NA	Snack
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 136					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 78					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

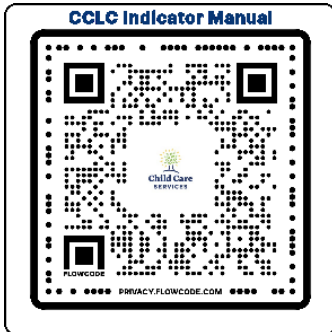
Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A: Upper Playground	50	C
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Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
0	0	0	12	13	17	0

Comments

The report was reviewed with the Director. The children and staff persons indicated in Room 4R:A above were observed in the Art Room during the visit. Additionally, the children and staff persons indicated in Room 3R:B were observed in the Performing Arts Room during the visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date



For additional information regarding any licensing topics discussed during this visit, please consult the Rules and Regulations Indicator Manual. This manual provides comprehensive clarification of each rule, including evaluation indicators, related best practices, and relevant considerations to support your program's continued and sustained compliance.

To access the Indicator Manual, please scan the QR code below or visit our website at <https://www.dec.al.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>.

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.dec.al.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!



Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

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

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.06(4) - Please ensure that the vent fans are clean and working in each bathroom.

Correction Deadline: 5/16/2026

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Please ensure all teacher cabinets are locked.

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2026

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair on this date.

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

The kitchen was licensed through the Department of Public Health. The kitchen was inspected on September 9, 2025 and received a score of 99.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) N/A

Comment

This program does not serve infants or toddlers and does not have diapering facilities.

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

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.21(3) - Please ensure additional emergency drills such as lock down drills occur every six months and documentation of the dates and times of these drills are maintained for two years.

Correction Deadline: 4/21/2026

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.27 - Please ensure all required signs are posted and up to date.

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2026

Safety

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

Field trip documentation observed to be complete on this date.

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

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation, only field trips.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) - Please ensure the interior of the buses used on field trips are in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2026

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(7)(c) - Please ensure that the field trip documentation checklists include the tag numbers of the buses used on the trip.

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2026

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 20

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 11

Staff # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 3	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 4	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 5	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 6	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 7	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 8	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 17	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 18	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 19	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	
Staff # 20	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing	

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires that a Center ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on a review of records that the following Independent Contractors did not submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site:

Staff # 1 Independent Contractor
Staff # 3 Independent Contractor
Staff # 4 Independent Contractor
Staff # 5 Independent Contractor
Staff # 6 Independent Contractor
Staff # 7 Independent Contractor
Staff # 8 Independent Contractor
Staff # 17 Independent Contractor
Staff # 18 Independent Contractor
Staff # 19 Independent Contractor
Staff # 20 Independent Contractor

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site for all Independent Contractors to ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee, Independent Contractor, and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site as required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will review all the rules and regulations and all CBC expiration dates to ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2026

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on a review of records that the following Independent Contractors, did not submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site as required:

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Staff # 19 Independent Contractor
Staff # 20 Independent Contractor

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will submit Comprehensive Records Checks for all Independent Contractors to ensure that all staff have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the staff person has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will regularly review Comprehensive Records Checks expiration dates to ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2026

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.14(3) - Please ensure first aid kits are fully stocked and items are not past the expiration date.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2026

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

Lead staff education requirements were met on this date.

Staffing and Supervision**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)**Met****Comment**

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