



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/11/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:45 PM

CCLC-53821

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
08/11/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/25/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
07/24/2024	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	A-1st Left- 3's & 4's	Three Year Olds	1	4	C	11	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	B - 2nd Left- School age	GA PreK	2	17	C	24	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C - 3rd Right- 1's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	5	C	7	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	D-2 R 2'S	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	7	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	E-1st Right- Infants		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 36			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Heath Department Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 31		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 36			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Front	48	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
0	6	6	6	19	0	3

Comments

The findings of this report were reviewed with the Provider on this date. Previous rule violations were observed/discussed.

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!



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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a LS:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 11

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/09/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 9

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/18/2023

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591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate activities observed throughout the center.

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

Records Reviewed: 11

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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)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(13) - requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Consultant and Director discussed ensuring that the bathroom in the Main C- 3rd Right- 1's is labeled Not In Use/Out of Order when being used to store potentially hazardous materials such as brooms and dust pans.

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2025**Prior Visits: 03/14/2024****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following potential hazards were accessible to children on this date:

Classroom A- 1st Left- 3's and 4's

-There was a black plastic grocery bag in the children's cubby area.

Classroom B- 2nd Left- School-Age

-There was a plastic grocery bag on the counter at the left of the doorway.

-There were two plastic grocery bags in the children's cubby area.

-There were three ziplock bags with plastic sliders in the children's cubby area.

-There was a pack of baby wipes in a child's bookbag in the cubby area.

-There was a plastic grocery bag on the table at the back right of the classroom.

-There was a Lysol disinfectant aerosol can on the table at the back right of the classroom.

-There was a container of Lysol disinfectant wipes on the table at the back right of the classroom.

Classroom C- 3rd Right- 1's

-There were two push pins in the wall located at the front left of the classroom approximately 2 feet from the floor.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2025**Prior Visits: 03/14/2024****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 in the Main A-1st Left 3's and 4's classroom, the air vent in the bathroom was hanging from the ceiling with an exposed protruding screw on this date.

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: 8/11/2025**Prior Visits: 12/21/2022**

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

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

Food Service**Records Reviewed: 11****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/09/2022

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

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk
 5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk
 2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://dec.al.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations****Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized on this date.

Health and Hygiene**Records Reviewed: 11****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 3

Not Met

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Staff # 9

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)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety**Records Reviewed: 11****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/09/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 9

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/18/2023

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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-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) requires that the interior of a transportation vehicle be clean, in safe repair and free of hazardous items, objects and/or other non-essential items which could cause injury. It was determined based on observation that the vehicle used of the transportation of children (Tag# YJT129) had the following potential hazards accessible to children on this date:

- There were tears with exposed foam located at the left side of the front seat.
- There was a tear with exposed foam located at the right side of the second row of seats.
- There was a hole with exposed foam located at the right side of the third row of seats.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will maintain that all transportation vehicles are clean, in safe repair, and free from hazards.

Correction Deadline: 8/12/2025**Prior Visits: 12/21/2022****Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

Staff # 3 Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/09/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 9 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/18/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2024

Prior Visits: 07/24/2024

Corrected on 8/11/2025

.30(1)(a)2 - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed that 3 of 3 cribs in the Main E-1st Right- Infants had mattresses that were firm and tight-fitting on this date.

Staff Records

Staff # 3 Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/09/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 9 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/18/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

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

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles on this date.

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center Staff certified in First Aid and CPR containing emergency care for infants and children on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

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 a review of records that Staff #3, hired February 9, 2022, and Staff #9, hired August 18, 2023, did not have evidence of completing 10 hours of annual training for the 2024 calendar year as required.

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: 9/10/2025

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/25/2024

Prior Visits: 03/14/2024

Corrected on 8/11/2025

.31(2)(b)2. - Previous citation corrected in that all staff with lead teacher responsibilities have met the academic requirements on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

Records Reviewed: 11

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/09/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

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Staff # 9

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/18/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

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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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. It was determined based on observation that watchful oversight was not provided when a child from the Main B- 2nd Left School-Age classroom left the room unsupervised for approximately 30 seconds. The child was observed to walk down the hall toward the Administrator's office, turn around in the opposite direction and enter classroom A 1st- Left 3's and 4's then returned to their classroom by Center Staff.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2025