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Date: 8/31/2026 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:05 AM **Departure:** 9:55 AM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
08/31/2026	POI Follow Up	Good Standing
08/21/2026	Initial-TA	NA
08/11/2026	Complaint Closure	Deficient

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.

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	Room A 1st R Infant	Infants	1	4	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room B (1 yr.old/ Younger 2year old	One Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room C (Older 2 Yrs.)	Two Year Olds	2	7	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Room D (Young 3)	Three Year Olds	1	6	C	17	C	23	C	Circle Time
Main	Room E (3 & 4 yrs.)	Three Year Olds	1	10	C	22	C	30	C	Centers,Free Play
Main	Room F (school age		0	0	C	22	C	31	C	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 105			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 128					
Total # Children this Date: 34		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 105			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 128					

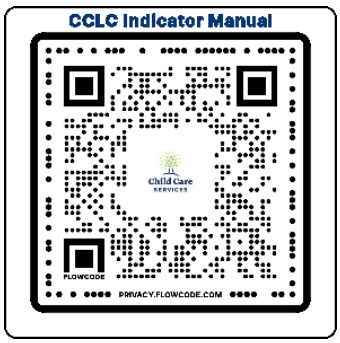
Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground 3 & Up	304	C
Main	Playground Toddler 2	5	C
Main	Toddler 1	9	C

Enrolled Children

Infant (0-12 months)	Toddler (1-2 yrs)	Preschool (3-5yrs/full time care)	School Age (before/after care only)	GA PreK only	Summer Only

Comments
The Center was left with two repeat citations.

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.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx.



For additional information regarding the full compliance inspection results of this program or any licensed program in the state, access the Child Care Services Compliance-at-a Glance website by scanning this QR code or visiting: https://families.decal.ga.gov.

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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Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Facility

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) **Met**

Correction Deadline: 12/8/2025

Corrected on 8/31/2026
The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There were no hazards accessible to children on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 12/8/2025

Corrected on 8/31/2026
The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There were no ant beds, exposed hose pipe, and the white pipe was repaired.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health **Met**

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2026

Corrected on 8/31/2026
The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There were no children with pacifiers clips attached.

Safety

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

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2026

Corrected on 8/31/2026
The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. Appropriate discipline and redirection was observed on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2026

Corrected on 8/31/2026
The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The fire extinguishers on both vehicles were mounted.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2026

Corrected on 8/31/2026
The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There were no children sleeping in a bounce chair.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 3 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/31/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 6 Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/11/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate,.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

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

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 a review of records that Staff #6 did not have evidence of health and safety orientation training on file as required.

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: 9/28/2026

Recited on 8/31/2026

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.31(2)(c) requires the Center to maintain a copy and/or written verification of the credential or degree awarded to the lead teacher that is required by these rules in the lead teacher's file, to make the document available for inspection and to provide the document to Department staff upon request. It was determined based on a review of records that Staff #3 and #9 did not have evidence of a credential on file as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will review lead teacher records to ensure the required documentation is on file and will obtain and file it if not found.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2026

Recited on 8/31/2026