



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/24/2025 VisitType: Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:05 AM Departure: 11:00 AM

CCLC-56480

Ready Set Grow Early Learning Academy

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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.
06/24/2025	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/07/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/08/2024	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: After school	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	2	NC	9	C	NA	NA	Story, Transitioning, Centers
Main	B: 3's and 4's		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
Main	C: 1's and 2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Story, Transitioning, Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 41			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 12			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 41							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	19	C
Main	B	23	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
0	2	4	3	3	0	9

Comments

This is the second regulatory visit of the fiscal year.

Per the Director, the center does not currently dispense medication, provide routine transportation, field trips, or swimming activities.

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@decgal.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 Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Comment

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

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

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-19 License Capacity(CR) Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2025

Corrected on 6/24/2025

.25(13) - This rule was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant did not observe any plastic bags in the vicinity of the children. Please be mindful to always keep anything that says "Keep out of reach of children" inaccessible to children that are in care.

591-1-1-26 Playgrounds(CR) Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(4) - Discussed monitoring the wooden playground barrier attached to the fence to ensure that the wood does not become weathered and/or splintered to prevent the barrier from being hazardous to the children in care. Also discussed maintaining the fence to ensure that the branches remain trimmed away from the fence. There were no children observed on the playground during the visit.

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2025

Health and Hygiene

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

There were no diapered children currently enrolled in the program on this date.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.30(4). requires that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags. It was determined based on observation in the Main C: 1's and 2's classroom that the bedding sheets on the cots were touching each other when stacked for storage.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will store cots and mats so children do not have access to them and they don't take up play space and will store them so each child's bedding is separate from the others.

Correction Deadline: 6/25/2025

Recited on 6/24/2025

Staff Records**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records**Met**

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2025

Corrected on 6/24/2025

.24(1) - This rule was observed to be corrected. The missing evidence of orientation was observed to be in the staff's file during the visit.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2025

Corrected on 6/24/2025

.33(3) - This rule was observed to be corrected. The staff member is no longer employed at the center.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2025

Corrected on 6/24/2025

.33(5) - This rule was observed to be corrected. The staff member is no longer employed at the center.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(4)(b) - Discussed maintaining a paper agreement, regardless of a verbal agreement, on file for children who turn three years old during the regular school year to remain with two year olds for the remainder of the school year from the older child's Parent(s) for the continued placement.

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2025

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(7) - Discussed with the Director about adjusting the staff:child ratios throughout the day to ensure that watchful oversight is provided at all times for the children in care when the Director may need to step out of the classroom to prepare for center's meal times.

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2025