

**Bright from the Start - Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**

2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower

Atlanta, GA 30334

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(Cover Sheet)**Date:** 7/23/2026 **VisitType:** EX-CAPS-Monitoring**Arrival:** 9:45AM **Departure:** 12:30PM**EX-44804 EXMT-8514 EX-1 - Government
Bulloch County Board of Commissioners - Kids
Zone**1 Max Lockwood Drive, Statesboro GA 30458
Bulloch County**Mailing Address**

Same

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Joint with:

Compliance Zone Designation			Prevention Action Category	Intermediate Action Category	Dismissal Action Category
7/23/2026	EX-CAPS-Monitoring	NA	Prevention Level 1 (P1)	Intermediate Level 1 (I1)	Dismissal (D)
			Technical Assistance	Corrective Action Plan	Dismissal
				Office Conference	Disqualification
			Prevention Level 2 (P2)	Intermediate Level 2 (I2)	
			Citation	Fine (Level 1 or 2)	
			Plan of Improvement		
			Prevention Level 3 (P3)	Intermediate Level 3 (I3)	

Room Description	Age Groups	Staff Count	Children Count	State Ratio Met	Notes
Playground		0	0	Y	
room 1	, Fives	1	1	Y	
room 2		0	0	Y	
room 3		0	0	Y	

Group Sizes Met? Y

Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0

#Staff Count: 1

#Children Count: 1

Comments:

The program was in compliance with the approved exemption category.

Please refer to the Exemption page of the website, <https://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/Exemptions.aspx> for information regarding 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

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 user id 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 standard number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the standard 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.

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The following information is associated with a EX-CAPS-Monitoring:**Activities and Equipment****EX-HS-.A Activities****Met****Comment**

Activities observed to be appropriate and safe.

EX-HS-.F Equipment & Toys**Met****Comment**

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

EX-HS-.Q Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CS)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Swimming rules discussed.

Children's Records**EX-HS-.C Children's Records****Met****Comment**

Observed children's files as required.

Exemptions**EX-HS-.X Exemption Requirements****Met****Comment**

Program operating as approved.

Facility**EX-HS-.L Physical Plant(CS)****Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.L(2) - A copy of the fire inspection dated January 23, 2026 was on file for review.

EX-HS-.M Playgrounds(CS)**Met****Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene**EX-HS-.U Diapering Areas & Practices(CS)****Met****Comment**

No diapered children are enrolled.

EX-HS-.H Hygiene	Met
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Comment

Hand washing was not observed during the visit but proper hand washing rules were discussed.

EX-HS-.I Medications(CS)	N/A
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Comment

Medication is not dispensed.

Policies and Procedures

EX-HS-.J Operational Policies & Procedures	Met
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Comment

Observed evidence of written policies and procedures that describe the Program's operations on this date.

EX-HS-.T Required Reporting	Met
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Comment

There were no incidents or injuries that required reporting.

Safety

EX-HS-.E Discipline(CS)	Met
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Comment

Staff were observed to maintain an age appropriate learning environment on this date.

EX-HS-.S Field Trips	Met
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Comment

Reviewed field trip forms and discussed.

EX-HS-.R Transportation(CS)	Technical Assistance
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Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Technical Assistance

Transportation procedures and documentation for field trips discussed. Discussed ensuring there is clear documentation that shows the check on/off of children at each location and that two separate staff complete a check of the vehicle at the completion of each leg of the trip.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

EX-HS-.V Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CS)	Met
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Comment

No safe sleep policies are necessary.

Staff Records

EX-HS-.D Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CS)	Met
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Comment

Observed evidence of a satisfactory criminal records check for all current staff.

EX-HS-.W First Aid & CPR	Met
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Comment

Observed evidence of staff training in CPR and first aid on this date.

EX-HS-.K Personnel Records	Met
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Comment

Observed personal records maintained.

EX-HS-.N Staff Requirements	Met
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Comment

Observed a director or person responsible for overall supervision of the program.

EX-HS-.P Staff Training	Met
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Comment

Observed health and safety training as required.

Staffing and Supervision

EX-HS-.O Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision(CS)	Met
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Comment

Adequate supervision and staff:child ratios observed on this date.