

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

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**(Cover Sheet)****Date:** 4/28/2026 **VisitType:** EX-CAPS Monitoring Follow-Up**Arrival:** 2:30PM**Departure:** 3:00PM**EX-45420 EXMT-10782 EX-1 - Government  
DeKalb County Schools ASED - Pine Ridge**750 Pine Ridge Drive, Stone Mountain GA 30087  
DeKalb County**Mailing Address**

Same

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Joint with:

| <b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> |                              |            | <b>Prevention Action Category</b> | <b>Intermediate Action Category</b> | <b>Dismissal Action Category</b> |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 4/28/2026                          | EX-CAPS Monitoring Follow-Up | Prevention | <b>Prevention Level 1 (P1)</b>    | <b>Intermediate Level 1 (I1)</b>    | <b>Dismissal (D)</b>             |
|                                    |                              |            | Technical Assistance              | Corrective Action Plan              | Dismissal                        |
|                                    |                              |            |                                   | Office Conference                   | Disqualification                 |
|                                    |                              |            | <b>Prevention Level 2 (P2)</b>    | <b>Intermediate Level 2 (I2)</b>    |                                  |
|                                    |                              |            | Citation                          | Fine (Level 1 or 2)                 |                                  |
|                                    |                              |            | Plan of Improvement               |                                     |                                  |
|                                    |                              |            | <b>Prevention Level 3 (P3)</b>    | <b>Intermediate Level 3 (I3)</b>    |                                  |

| <b>Room Description</b>    | <b>Age Groups</b> | <b>Staff Count</b> | <b>Children Count</b> | <b>State Ratio Met</b> | <b>Notes</b> |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Cafeteria                  |                   | 0                  | 0                     | Y                      |              |
| Classroom - 3rd-5th Grades |                   | 0                  | 0                     | Y                      |              |
| Classroom - K-2nd Grade    |                   | 0                  | 0                     | Y                      |              |
| Gym                        |                   | 0                  | 0                     | Y                      |              |
| Media Center               |                   | 0                  | 0                     | Y                      |              |
| Playground                 |                   | 0                  | 0                     | Y                      |              |

Group Sizes Met? Y

Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0

#Staff Count: 0

#Children Count: 0

**Comments:**

A follow-up monitoring visit was completed on this date. The child care program was found to be 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

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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](http://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 FollowUp:**

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

**Corrected on 4/28/2026****EX-HS-.L(2) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant verified, through a review of records, a fire inspection was completed July 23, 2025 by the Dekalb County Fire Rescue.**

| Staff Records |  |
|---------------|--|
|---------------|--|

|                              |     |
|------------------------------|-----|
| EX-HS-.G First Aid & CPR(CS) | Met |
|------------------------------|-----|

**Corrected on 4/28/2026****EX-HS-.G(2)(a-d) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Specialist verified, through a review of records, the staff member had completed Pediatric First Aid and CPR training on April 25, 2026.**

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|-------------------------|-----|
| EX-HS-.P Staff Training | Met |
|-------------------------|-----|

**Corrected on 4/28/2026****EX-HS-.P(3)(a-k) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The Specialist verified, through a review of records, that all four staff members completed the required Health and Safety Orientation training.****Defer****EX-HS-.P(4)(a-b)-It was determined based on a review of records that the Program did not have evidence of the ten hours of annual training for 2025. A follow-up review will be completed during the next scheduled monitoring visit to re-evaluate compliance.**