



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/19/2026 VisitType: Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:45 AM Departure: 1:15 PM

CCLC-65366
POTTER'S CLAY EARLY LEARNING CENTER
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Quality Rated: No

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.
03/19/2026	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/18/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/27/2025	Monitoring Visit	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 Building	Classroom A Infants	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	11	C	11	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main Building	Classroom B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	7	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main Building	Classroom C		0	0	C	3	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 21			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 18			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 21 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building	Playground A	12	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
0	4	5	7	5	0	0

Comments

MV completed by Lead Consultant C Jackson

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>.

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

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.decal.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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!



Summary 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

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026
Consultant observed equipment to be used correctly.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026
Consultant observed the files to be correct on this date.

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026
This citation was observed to be correct on this date. Seven children was observed to be in classroom B.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026
This citation was observed to be correct on this date. No hazards was observed.

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

Met

Comment

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

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

Not Met

Finding

The Department requires Centers first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that are renovated after March 1, 1991, to provide ventilation in the diapering areas with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open. It was determined based on observation during initial inspection visit, infant and toddler Classroom A did not have functioning exhaust fans or operable window(s). Consultant and Provider discussed during this visit that functioning exhaust fans will be installed. Provider stated that the owner of the building still has not installed exhaust fans.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The responsible person(s) at the center will ensure that the exhaust fans and duct systems are functioning or that the required amount of operable window space is provided in each diapering area.

Correction Deadline: 4/30/2026

Recited on 3/19/2026

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026

Consultant observed children to wash hands properly. This citation was correct on this date.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/23/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026

This citation was observed to be correct on this date. All Emergency Drills was completed.

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026

This citation was observed to be correct on this date. All staff had Fingerprints completed on file/

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026

This citation was observed to be correct. Files observed for 3 staff employed on this date had current Comprehensive Records Check determination on file.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR(CR)

Met

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center Staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/23/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026

This citation was observed to be correct on this date. Review of staff files observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026

This citation was observed to be correct on this date. Two files observed to have orientation complete.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Staffing and Supervision

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)

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/19/2026

This citation was observed to be correct. All children was provided watchful oversight correctly.