



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/16/2025 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:15 AM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-3249
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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.
07/16/2025	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/21/2024	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
08/21/2024	Complaint Investigation & 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	B 2nd L	One Year Olds	1	4	C	17	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	C 3rd Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D 4th Left	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	16	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	E 5th Left	Three Year Olds	2	14	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	F 6th Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	ROOM A	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	9	C	13	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 106					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
New Bldg	G 1st Right	Infants	2	7	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
New Bldg	H 2nd Right	Infants	2	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
New Bldg	I 1st Left	One Year Olds	2	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
New Bldg	J 2nd Left	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	17	C	NA	NA	Snack
New Bldg	Multipurpose Room		0	0	C	92	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 160					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
New Bldg.	K-3rd Right	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	15	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
New Bldg.	L -2nd R	Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	14	C	18	C	NA	NA	Free Play
New Bldg.	M-1st R	Six Year Olds and Over	1	18	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers

		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 57			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Youth Chapel	Room A		0	0	C	119	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Youth Chapel	Room B		0	0	C	26	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 145			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 140		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 468			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
18	15	30	25	0	20	21

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit.

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:

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@dec.al.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 CI/MV:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 04/23/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90
calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

591-1-1.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

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

591-1-1.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 04/23/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90
calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

591-1-1.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center on this date.

591-1-1.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2024

Prior Visits: 07/23/2020, 02/26/2020

Corrected on 7/16/2025

Previous citation was corrected on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined by consultant observation in room K the baseboard was coming off the wall near the bathroom posing a hazard. Additionally in room D a hole was near the bottom of the left wall posing a hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 7/23/2025

Prior Visits: 02/17/2022

Recited on 7/16/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.25(8) requires protective caps on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. It was determined by observation in rooms C, D, and E outlet covers were missing thought out the room.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to check outlets and replace protective caps when needed and identify and monitor how outlets in use are inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2025

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

Met

Comment

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

Health and Hygiene

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 04/23/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined by observation in room C upon returning from out the children did not wash hands before eating lunch.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on required handwashing for children and Staff will ensure children's hands are washed when required. The Director will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined by observation in room F the staff member did not wash hands before handling food.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2025

Prior Visits: 08/29/2019

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 04/23/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 04/23/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 6

Not Met

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Date of Hire: 04/23/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

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

Met

Comment

Director provided eight file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Technical Assistance

The consultant discussed completing orientation checklists and all documents are signed.

Correction Deadline: 7/17/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.33(5)(b)1. requires the annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall include at least two (2) hours in evidence based, developmentally appropriate language and literacy practices. It was determined by review of records staff member # 6 hired on February 17, 2025 did not have evidence of Health and Safety Orientation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year to include a least two (2) hours in evidence based, developmentally appropriate language and literacy practices and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2025

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 04/23/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2024

Prior Visits: 08/29/2019

Corrected on 7/16/2025

The previous citation was corrected on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2024

Prior Visits: 10/13/2020

Corrected on 7/16/2025

The previous citation was corrected on this date.