

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

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**(Cover Sheet)****Date:** 3/19/2025**VisitType:** EX-Monitoring**Arrival:** 7:55AM**Departure:** 8:40AM**EX-44625 EXMT-13200 EX-1 - Government  
Camden County - Mamie Lou Gross Elementary  
Extended Day Program**277 Roberts Path, Woodbine GA 31569 Camden  
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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> |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 3/19/2025                          | EX-Monitoring | NA | <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>    |                                  |

**Staff: Child Ratios**

| <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               | , Fives, Six and older | 4                  | 10                    | Y                      |              |
| Gym                     |                        | 0                  | 0                     | Y                      |              |

Group Sizes Met? Y

Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0

#Staff Count: 4

#Children Count: 10

**Comments:**

The program was in compliance with the approved exemption category.

Corrective Action Plan: No Plan Developed



Please refer 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

By signing this report I acknowledge that the report was discussed with me and if there are any missing requirements I am responsible for submitting them as outlined to the GACAPS Program.

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to [CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov).

1. Facility name, program number and visit date
2. Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
3. Specific standard(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the citation
4. Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date of the visit to the facility.
5. Your refutation will be forwarded to the CCS Exemptions Unit manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 770-293-5977.

Any violation which subjects a child to injury or life threatening situation or continued non-compliance may jeopardize participation in the CAPS program for eligible license-exempt program (government-owned facilities and day camps).

Director/Person-in-charge Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Specialist Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**The following information is associated with an Exemption Monitoring:****Activities and Equipment****EX-HS-F Equipment & Toys(CS)****Met****Comment**

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

**EX-HS-Q Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CS)****N/A****Comment**

Program does not provide swimming activities.

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

Program observed operating within their approved exemption criteria.

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

No hazards observed.

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

The director stated that the playground has not been used by the playground. It was stated that many large muscle activities are done in the gym or outside on the sidewalk.

**Health and Hygiene****EX-HS-U Diapering Areas & Practices(CS)****N/A****Comment**

No diapered children are enrolled.

**EX-HS-H Hygiene****Met****Comment**

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

**Comment**

The director stated that medication has not been dispensed.

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

Evidence of monthly fire drills was observed. The program provides parents a copy of the written policies and procedures.

**EX-HS-.T Required Reporting****Met****Comment**

It was stated that no incidents requiring professional medical attention have occurred.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection discussed.

**EX-HS-.R Transportation(CS)****N/A****Comment**

Program does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment****EX-HS-.V Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CS)****N/A****Comment**

No safe sleep policies are necessary.

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete for four current staff.

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

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

**EX-HS-.P Staff Training****Met****Comment**

Observed training for all staff members on this date.

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

Appropriate staff-child ratios and supervision were observed on this date.