



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/4/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:00 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-1773
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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.
03/04/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/07/2025	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
12/19/2024	Complaint Investigation & 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
Building Two	101		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Building Two	102		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Building Two	103		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Building Two	104		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 71			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	A-Caterpillars- Infants	Infants	1	2	C	23	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B- Hummingbirds- 3 y/o	Three Year Olds	1	4	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	C- Bumble Bees One and Two Year Olds	Two Year Olds	1	2	C	18	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D-Swans- Schoolage	Three Year Olds	1	4	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	E- Peacocks		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F- Ladybugs	Four Year Olds	3	7	C	21	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	G-Butterflies		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 139			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 19			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 210			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
3	3	2	8	7	0	0

Comments

Visit completed.

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.dec.al.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 Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 16

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/12/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the blue trampoline in the Grasshopper room was torn around the edges which posed a potential entrapment hazard and the red bean bag had tears on it.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 3/4/2025

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

Records Reviewed: 16

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2023

Records Reviewed: 16**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/12/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 1/10/2025****Corrected on 3/4/2025****.26(6) - The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed that the bridge had been repaired.****Comment**

591-1-1-.26(9) - Routine equipment maintenance was discussed with the Director.

Correction Deadline: 3/4/2025**Health and Hygiene****Records Reviewed: 16****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/12/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

Staff # 1 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

Staff # 6 Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/12/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

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)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Staff # 1 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

Staff # 6 Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/12/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Staff # 1 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

Staff # 6 Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/12/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

Correction Deadline: 1/7/2025

Corrected on 3/4/2025

.09(1)(g) - he previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed a current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file for all staff.

Correction Deadline: 12/19/2024

Corrected on 3/4/2025

.09(1)(l)3. -The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed a current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file for all staff.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.31(2)(c) - Please ensure that a copy of the Lead Teachers' credentials are on file.

Correction Deadline: 3/4/2025

Staffing and Supervision

Records Reviewed: 16

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/24/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/12/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Education Experience Missing

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: 1/7/2025

Corrected on 3/4/2025

.32(7) - The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed staff to provide watchful oversight to children.