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Date: 9/15/2026 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:05 PM **Departure:** 5:30 PM

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Quality Rated:

Compliance Zone Designation		
09/15/2026	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/05/2025	Complaint Closure	Good Standing
08/21/2025	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing

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.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
BLD II	A	Six Year Olds and Over	3	13	C	74	C	NA	NA	Snack
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 74			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Main	2nd right	Three Year Olds	2	7	C	20	C	NA	NA	Snack,Centers, Nap
Main	3rd Center	GA PreK	2	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	A, 1st Left	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	14	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Centers, Nap
Main	B, 2nd Left	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	9	NC	NA	NA	Nap,Free Play,Lunch
Main	C, 3rd Left		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	D, 1st Right	One Year Olds	2	14	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Nap,Centers
Main	E, 1st center, infants	Infants	2	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	G, 2nd Center		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 133			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 79		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 207			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
BLD II	A	227	C
Main	Back	22	C
Main	Large left	132	C

Main	Left, toddlers	18	C

Enrolled Children

Infant (0-12 months)	Toddler (1-2 yrs)	Preschool (3-5yrs/full time care)	School Age (before/after care only)	GA PreK only	Summer Only
6	25	40	60	20	0

Comments
The findings of this report were reviewed with the Provider on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

CCLC Indicator Manual

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.

Compliance at a Glance

For additional information regarding the full compliance inspection results of this program or any licensed program in the state, access the Child Care Services Compliance-at-a Glance website by scanning this QR code or visiting: https://families.decal.ga.gov.

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

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!

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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: 8/21/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.12(2) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did not any furniture with foam exposed in classroom D.

Correction Deadline: 8/22/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.12(4) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did not observed any tipping hazards on this date.

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

Comment
Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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: 9/20/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.25(11) -The previous citation corrected in that the Consultant the flooring was smooth in front of the storage closet located at the front right of classroom E.

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.25(12) Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did not observe a commercial electric pedestal fan fan at the back right and an industrial cradle floor fan at the back left of the room, on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/22/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.25(13) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did not observed any hazardous equipment, materials and supplies 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 based on observation that the following items were not in good repair on this date:

Building II Classroom A
-Outer wall of the first stall in the boys bathroom had rust at the back bottom edge.
-Left inner wall of the first stall in the girls bathroom had rust at the back bottom edge.

Classroom B, 2nd Left
-Lid of the toilet tank in the girls bathroom had a large crack in the middle and did not fit the toilet. In addition there were two other toilet lid that did not fit the toilet in this building.

Classroom A, 1st Left
-Spider webs above the door and around the light fixture inside the boys bathroom.
-Exhaust fans inside the bathrooms were dusty.
-Return vent at the front right of the room near the bathrooms was dusty with unsecured, protruding edges separating from the wall.

Classroom, 2nd Right
-The inner door knob was missing on the door of the first bathroom.

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: 9/26/2026

Recited on 9/15/2026

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.25(8) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did not observed a hanging electrical cord under the diaper changing table on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that the following fencing hazards were accessible to children on this date:

Main Building Left Playground
-Back left chain link fence gate measured approximately 3 feet, 10 inches when 4 feet were required.
-A six inch gap at the top of the chain link fence located at the back right corner.
-A four inch gap at the top of the fence gate located at the front right corner.

Building II Playground A
-A 7 inch gap between the chain link fence gates at the front left of the playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 9/26/2026

Recited on 9/15/2026

Finding
591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the following playground hazards were accessible to children on this date:

Main Building Left Playground
-Chipping paint on the silver sliding equipment at the back middle.
-A protruding bolt at the left corner of the black plastic playground barrier.
-End caps missing from the top of fence poles, creating a possible breeding area for insects

Main Back Playground
-Rust on the S hooks located at the bottom swing chains on the bucket seats.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 9/26/2026

Recited on 9/15/2026

Finding
591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that the Building II playground had less than 1 inch of measurable wood chips in the fall zone of the large climbing structure when 6 inches were required.

Building I
-The fall zones of the swings and other climbing equipment did not extend the required length as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2026

Recited on 9/15/2026

Finding
591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that the following potential hazard was accessible to children on this date:

Main Left, Toddlers Playground
-There was exposed protruding concrete at the entry gate of the playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 9/26/2026

Recited on 9/15/2026

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.10(1) 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 that the diapering area in classroom B, 2nd Left did not have a functioning exhaust fan nor an operable window as required on this date. It was further determined that the diapering area in classroom E, 1st Center did not have a functioning exhaust fan nor an operable window as required on this date.

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: 9/26/2026

Recited on 9/15/2026

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

Comment
Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

Comment
The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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
Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) **Not Met**

Comment
Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment
Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant's back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant's back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer's guidelines and will not slide up around the infant's face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation an infant was observed sleeping in a rocker that was placed inside of a crib.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will take all steps necessary to provide a safe sleep environment for infants as listed in these rules; will train Staff to follow these rules; and will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2026

Staff Records

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

Comment
Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

Comment
Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment
Evidence observed of 100% of center Staff certified in First Aid and CPR containing emergency care for infants and children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.14(1) - Evidence observed of 100% of center Staff certified in First Aid and CPR containing emergency care for infants and children on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Defer**

Defer
591-1-1-.33(4)- Training will be evaluated during the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2025

Defer
591-1-1-33(5)a Training will be evaluated during the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2025

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.33(5)(b)(2)(i)-(iv) - Previous citation corrected in that staff #13 had evidence of health and safety training.

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

Comment
Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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: 8/21/2025

Corrected on 9/15/2026
.32(7) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that the staff members were providing watchful oversight of the children at all times.