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Date: 9/24/2026 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:30 AM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

CCLC-3224

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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.
09/24/2026	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/26/2026	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/23/2025	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	A-Right Hall-1st Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	10	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	B-Right Hall-2nd Right	One Year Olds	3	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C-Right Hall-1st Left	Three Year Olds	2	7	C	15	C	21	C	Outside
Main	D-Left Hall-1st Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E-Left Hall-2nd Right		0	0	C	51	C	71	C	Not In Use
Main	F-(EHS)-Left Hall-2nd Left	Two Year Olds	3	10	C	11	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	G-(EHS)-Left Hall-3rd Left	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	H-(EHS)-Left Hall-4th Left	Infants and One Year Olds	2	9	C	12	C	17	C	Floor Play
Main	I-Left Hall-1st Left		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 158			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 158							
Total # Children this Date: 63			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 158							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 158							

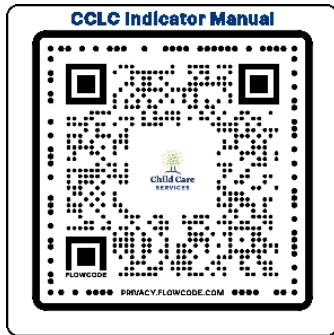
Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG-1 (Toddlers)	33	C
Main	PG-2 (3+)	55	C
Main	PG-3 (3-5)	49	C
Main	PG-4 (Infants)	10	C

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	23	18	29	14	0

Comments

The visit report was completed on September 24, 2026. The visit report was reviewed and discussed with the Director, Kim Wasden.

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>.



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.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!



Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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.

Children's Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/5/2026

Corrected on 9/24/2026

.08(1) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that the Center Staff obtained a file for each child for the children in care as required.

Correction Deadline: 5/26/2026

Corrected on 9/24/2026

.08(6) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that the Center obtained records of children that were completed in it's entirety as required.

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)

Met

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/26/2026

Corrected on 9/24/2026

.26(9) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that a square piece of cement was removed to prevent a potential tripping hazard as required.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/26/2026

Corrected on 9/24/2026

.15(2)(f) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that food for infants and children less than one (1) year of age was cut into pieces inch or smaller and food for toddlers was cut into pieces one-half inch and smaller to prevent choking as required. Additionally, black eye peas, mashed cheese broccoli, and pull pork were served on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

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

N/A

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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a) requires a crib that is safety approved in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards be provided for each infant. It was determined based on observation that one out of the eight cribs in Main I-Left Hall-1st Left had a manufactured date of April 2011 and did not have a manufacturer's certificate of compliance on file, as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a crib that is safety approved in compliance with CPSC and ASTM safety standards for each infant.

Correction Deadline: 10/16/2026

Staff Records

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

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	Technical Assistance
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Correction Deadline: 6/25/2026

Corrected on 9/24/2026

.33(3)(a)-(k) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that the new Staff obtained the health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment as required.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(5)(a) - New - The Consultant discussed with the Provider to ensure that official transcripts for Staff who were enrolled in an accredited college or university for ECE classes were counted towards annual clock hours for each calendar year as required.

Correction Deadline: 10/24/2026

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.