



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/9/2025 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 12:20 PM

CCLC-38269

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Quality Rated: ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
10/09/2025	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
09/22/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/24/2025	Complaint Closure	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	Rm 6B: (2nd Right)	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Rm A-1: inside 1st R: younger infants	Infants	1	6	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	Rm A-2: 1R: older infants	One Year Olds	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Rm C7: Back Hallway: 3yr olds	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	26	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Rm D8: Left Bk hall: 1 yr olds		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rm F1: 1st Left: Pre-K	GA PreK	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Rm G2: 2nd Left: Pre-K	GA PreK	2	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rm H3: 3rd Left: Pre-K	GA PreK	2	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Rm I 4: 4th left: Private Pre-K		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rm J5: 5th Left: Afterschool		0	0	C	25	C	35	C	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			196		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 234					
Total # Children this Date: 78			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 234					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd-Front Left Side	33	C
Main	Plgd-Lower Left Side	95	C
Main	Plgd-Lower Rear	191	C
Main	Plgd-Right Side	53	C

Comments

The purpose of the visit is to conduct a complaint / follow up 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.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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Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

	Facility
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591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/22/2025

Corrected on 10/9/2025

.25(13) - Previous citation observed to be corrected as the consultant observed no hazards accessible on this date.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) requires that the interior of a transportation vehicle be clean, in safe repair and free of hazardous items, objects and/or other non-essential items which could cause injury. It was determined based on observations that Van Tag# Ply6190 had a tear covered in grey duct tape on the first row first seat.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will maintain that all transportation vehicles are clean, in safe repair, and free from hazards. The consultant observed the second row middle seat belt to operable and in working order.

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2025

Recited on 10/9/2025