



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/29/2026 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:00 AM **Departure:** 1:40 PM

CCLC-3101

Calvary Baptist Day Care Center

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Quality Rated: No

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.
04/29/2026	Monitoring Visit	Deficient	
10/21/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/23/2025	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	100-last Right	Three Year Olds	2	20	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	101- 2nd left	Four Year Olds	2	14	C	15	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	102-4th Right	Four Year Olds	2	21	C	25	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	104-3rd Right	Three Year Olds	3	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	106-2nd Right	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	20	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	108-1st Right	Two Year Olds	3	19	C	25	C	NA	NA	Art
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 135					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Side	171-1st Left	One Year Olds	3	15	C	16	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Side	173-2nd Left	Two Year Olds	2	16	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch
Side	174-Infant 1(right)	Infants	3	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Side	178-Infant 2(right)	Infants and One Year Olds	2	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap, Transitioning, Lunch, Floor Play
Side	179	Two Year Olds	2	20	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Side	Infant 3(Left) Rm 177	One Year Olds	3	16	C	24	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 117					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 202			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 252			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

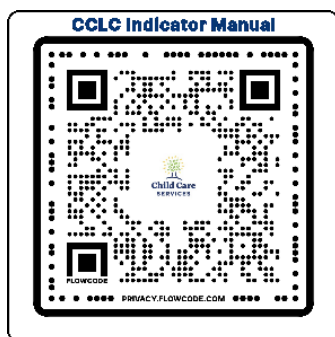
Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Front	74	C
Main	Main building Rt. back	72	C
Main	main building Rt. front	64	C
Main	Main Building Rt. middle	31	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
25	47	80	61	35	0	0

Comments

The findings of this report were reviewed with the Center Director on this date. POI Notice Letter was left with the Center Director on this date.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 05/13/2026



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>.

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 Monitoring Visit:

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.

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.

Correction Deadline: 10/21/2025

Corrected on 4/29/2026

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There were no hazards accessible to children throughout the Center, which included room 102-4th Right.

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 on the Main Building Rt. Middle playground the back fence on the left side was unsecured and wobbly. Which left a four inch gap between the fencing post and the corner of the fence, and posed a potential entrapment hazard.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2026

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 there were equipment in hazardous condition and in need of repair on the following playgrounds:

-Main Front: On the yellow and red play structure, the rubber was eroding with exposed rust on the second step of the stairs that led to the slide. Which posed a potential tripping hazard.

Main Building Rt. middle: The rainbow crawling caterpillar tunnel was broken on the back with exposed jagged edges that posed a potential pinching hazard. Additionally, there was one blue Little Tikes jeep missing the steering wheel, a door, and the top cover and not in good repair as required.

-Main Building Rt. back: On the brown and yellow play structure the rubber was eroding on the top step of both of the stairs. Which posed a potential tripping hazard. Additionally, there was a red tricycle missing the right-side pedal.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2026

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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)

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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-.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)	Not Met
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Finding

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. It was determined based on observation that watchful oversight was not provided during mealtime in the following classrooms:

-Room 178-Infant 2(Right) when Center staff were not seated within an arm's length away from two infants that were eating in high chairs.

-Room 177-Infant 3(Left) when Center staff were not seated within an arm's length away from three 1-year-old children that were eating lunch.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2026