



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/11/2026 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 11:40 AM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

CCLC-50243
International Preparatory Academy III
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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.
02/11/2026	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/14/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/30/2024	Licensing Study	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-1st right side		0	0	C	46	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	B- 2nd left Preschool	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	5	C	56	C	NA	NA	Nap,Lunch
Main	C-Left side infants	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	7	C	41	C	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 125			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks		
Total # Children this Date: 12		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 125			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Preschool and School-age	31	C
Main	B-Infant and Toddler	17	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
3	4	5	3	6	0	8

Comments

The findings of this report were reviewed with the Provider on this date. Previous rule violations were observed/discussed.

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.decgal.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@decgal.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: 8/14/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.12(2) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did not observe any equipment and furniture hazards on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.12(4) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did not observe any potential tipping hazards 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: 8/14/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.08(1) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed the Center to have documentation of complete children's records on this date.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following potential hazards were accessible to children on this date:

Classroom B- 2nd Left Preschool

-There was an unlocked electrical closet with a broom, a dust pan, a mop, and a bucket located at the back right of the classroom.

-There was a pack of Huggies baby wipes and a pack of Water wipes incise the children's cubbies located at the right middle of the classroom.

Classroom C- Left Side Infants

-There was a pack of Huggies wipes and a pack of Parent's Chioce baby wipes inside the children's cubbies located at the front left of the classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 2/12/2026

Recited on 2/11/2026

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.25(3) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed the Center to be in good repair on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.25(8) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did not observe any electrical hazards 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:

A- Preschool and School-age playground

-There were four bolts extending more than two threads at the bottom of the front left wrought iron gate.

B- Infant and Toddler Playground

-There was a 4 inch by 5.5 inch bottom gap in the lattice fencing causing a potential entrapment hazard at the back right 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: 2/25/2026

Recited on 2/11/2026

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.10(3) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant did observe any diaper changing surface hazards on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.10(4) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed the Center to have a smooth nonporous diaper changing surface on this date.

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) Met

Correction Deadline: 4/30/2024

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.36(4)(b) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed the vehicle used for the transportation of children (Tag # SLX2786) to be in safe repair on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2024

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.36(4)(c) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed the vehicle being used for the transportation of children (Tag # SLX2786) to have a working fire extinguisher and first aid kit as required.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

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.

Staff Records

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.14(1) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed the Staff member to have a current and valid First Aid and CPR certificate as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2025

Corrected on 2/11/2026

.14(3) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed the Center to have a complete first aid kit on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Correction Deadline: 12/31/2025****Corrected on 2/11/2026****.33(5)(a) - Previous citation corrected in that the Consultant observed Staff to have documentation of completing 10 hours of annual training for the 2025 calendar year as required.**

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****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.