



Bright from the Start - Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

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(Cover Sheet)

Date: 1/1/0001 VisitType:

Arrival:

Departure:

Exemption Unit Consultant

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Comments:

Please refer to the Exemption page of the website, <https://www.dec.al.ga.gov/CCS/Exemptions.aspx> for information regarding 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

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 user id 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 standard number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the standard 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.

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:**Activities and Equipment****591-1-1-.03 Activities****Met****Correction Deadline: 4/14/2026****Corrected on 6/10/2026****Previous citation corrected. Staff stated proper knowledge for activities and equipment.****Staff Records****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CS)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided file(s) for nine employees hired since last visit.

Staffing and Supervision**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CS)****Met****Correction Deadline: 4/14/2026****Corrected on 6/10/2026****Previous citation corrected. The staff stated proper knowledge for staffing and supervision.**