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Date: 8/25/2025 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 11:25 AM **Departure:** 3:35 PM

CCLC-38939

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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.
08/25/2025	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Deficient	
08/21/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/29/2025	POI Follow Up	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) 1L - Infant B	Infants and One Year Olds	2	4	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	(B) 2L - Senior A	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	7	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Lunch,Nap
Main	(C) 3L - Junior B	Two Year Olds	3	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	(D) 4L middle- PreK 3A	One Year Olds	2	6	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap,Transitioning
Main	(E) 5L middle - Pre-K 4A	Three Year Olds	1	6	C	16	C	23	C	Free Play
Main	(F) 6L middle - GA Pre-K (b)	GA PreK	2	15	C	23	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	(G) 5R - GA Pre-K (a)	GA PreK	2	15	C	23	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	(H) 4R - PreK 3B	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	21	C	29	C	Transitioning
Main	(I) 3R - Junior A		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	(J) 2R - Senior B		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	(K) 1R - Infant A		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 197					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 212					
Total # Children this Date: 77					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 212					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd-A (Inf.)	31	C

Main	Plgd-B (Preschool)	77	C
Main	Plgd-C (School-age)	264	C
Main	Plgd-D (Preschool)	95	C

Comments

The Consultant followed up on previous citations. The investigation was not concluded on this date.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 09/09/2025

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.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/21/2025

Corrected on 8/25/2025

.12(4) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The blue shelf from Main (G) 5R - GA Pre-K (a) was located in the hallway.

Facility

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

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.25(3)- Evaluation of the previous citation was deferred on this date to the next regulatory visit. The correction deadline was August 28, 2025.

Correction Deadline: 8/28/2025

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

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.26(7)- Evaluation of the previous citation was deferred on this date to the next regulatory visit. The correction deadline was August 31, 2025.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2025

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.18(5) requires the refrigeration of all perishable and potentially hazardous foods at 40 degrees Fahrenheit or below and served promptly after cooking. Freezer temperature shall be maintained at zero (0) degrees Fahrenheit or below. It was determined based on observation that the refrigerator on the left side had a thermometer that read 44 degrees Fahrenheit that posed a hazard.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2025

Recited on 8/25/2025

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.21(1)(r) - New - Discussed updating the Center's policies and procedures to include the program's practices regarding the expulsion and suspension of children enrolled for care within the description of behavior management and discipline actions used by the Center.

Also discussed to ensure a description of the practices followed by the Center to prevent shaken baby syndrome and abusive head trauma in children up to five years of age that includes the following information: how to recognize, respond to, and report the signs and symptoms of shaken baby syndrome and abusive head trauma; strategies to assist staff members in understanding how to care for infants and how to cope with a crying, fussing, or distraught child; strategies to ensure staff members understand the brain development of children up to five years of age; and a list of prohibited behaviors when dealing with children.

Additional information can be found in the CCLC Indicator Manual found on DECAL's website at:

<https://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.aspx> or through the Center on Shaken Baby Syndrome found at: <https://dontshake.org/>.

Correction Deadline: 8/30/2025

Safety

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/22/2025

Corrected on 8/25/2025

.36(7)(b) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Center provided evidence in the transportation book of nine children's vehicle emergency medical information.

Staff Records

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.14(1)(a) - Discussed that effective July 1, 2025, new staff are required to obtain pediatric First Aid and pediatric CPR training within 45 days of employment. It was further discussed that programs must have at least one person with current pediatric First Aid and pediatric CPR training in each classroom at all times.

Correction Deadline: 9/24/2025

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.24(1)- Evaluation of the previous citation was deferred on this date to the next regulatory visit. The correction deadline was August 26, 2025.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2025

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(2)(a)-(n) - Discussed that all Employees, including volunteers, independent contractors, students-in-training, etc. should have a completed initial program orientation form on file.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2025

Defer

591-1-1-.33(3)(a)-(k)- Evaluation of the previous citation was deferred on this date to the next regulatory visit. The correction deadline was September 20, 2025.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(5)(b)1. - New - Discussed that effective July 1, 2025, all staff are required to obtain at least two hours in evidence based, developmentally appropriate language and literacy practices and at least two hours in on-going child development and health and safety related topics as part of their 10 hours of annual training.

Correction Deadline: 9/24/2025

Staffing and Supervision

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

Not Met

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 two 5-year-old children, one 6-year-old child, and one 9-year-old child walked from the front lobby to the Main (G) 5R - GA Pre-K (a) classroom without being supervised.

Correction Deadline: 8/25/2025

Recited on 8/25/2025