



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/11/2025 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:30 AM **Departure:** 2:40 PM

CCLC-66003

Morgan's Early Care Connection

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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.
06/11/2025	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing	
			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.

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 A 18m to 35m		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
main	Rm B preschool		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 22		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 0			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 22		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
main	Back playground	71	C

Comments

A technical assistant visit was conducted on this date. A follow-up visit will be conducted by June 30, 2025.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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.decal.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:

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 CAPS/ QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward an initial star rating. Provisional Status eligibility will be determined at the time of CAPS enrollment as part of the CAPS application process.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(5) - Please ensure an appropriately sized chair or bench is available for each child in room A. Three (3) additional chairs will be added.

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(6) - Please ensure a variety of age-appropriate toys and play materials be available, stored on low, open shelves accessible to children in each room in the following centers: Art, musical instruments, science, and additional dramatic play (add accessories to the play house) in Room A.

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2025

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.06(4) -Please ensure an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system is in the office and hall bathroom to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2025

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

Met

Comment

The program has the following capacity limitations: 22 students.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - Please ensure a barrier is created to separate the entrance to the center from the playground area. A (4) four foot corridor will be created.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(16) -Please ensure that sufficient parking areas be provided to permit safe discharge and pick up of children that's approved by the department.

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(20) -Please ensure required verification of water sources and sewage disposal systems is received by Consultant. A bill is sufficient.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(4) - Please ensure that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. The lattice fencing being used at the upper front and back right corner of playground is not approved by the department. The fencing behind the lattice appears to be unattached to the top pole at the upper front area and bulging in both areas. Please ensure a chain-linked fence and or a wooden fence is added in these areas.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Please ensure the playground be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots, wooden border in the fall zone of the steps to the platform and exposed sharp edges of concrete. Please remove all hazards, the tree roots will be covered and or painted, remove large sticks and rocks.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

Food Service**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.18(12) -Please ensure a (4) four foot barrier is installed to prohibits children from being in the kitchen except as part of a planned, The route to room C if licensed is through the kitchen.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

Health and Hygiene**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Technical Assistance****Comment**

There were no children enrolled in the program on this date. Proper diaper facilities were observed with warm running water and proper ventilation.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10(1) - Please ensure ventilation in the diapering areas with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open. The windows in room A lacked a screen.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures**591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.27 -Please ensure Center post in a designated area for public viewing near the front entrance the following: the Center's current License or Permit; a copy of these rules; a copy of the current communicable disease chart; a statement allowing Parent(s) access to all child care areas upon notifying any staff member of his or her presence; names of persons responsible for the administration of the Center in the administrator's absence; emergency plans for severe weather, fire, and other emergency situations; a statement requiring visitors to check in with Staff when entering the Center;; and a notice provided by the Department which advises Parents of their right to review a copy of the Center's most recent licensure evaluation report upon request to the Center Director.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

Safety**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

There were no children enrolled on this date. The center's discipline policy was reviewed on this date. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the director on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 - Please ensure a sheet and a cover is available for cots in room A. It lack 5(five) sheets and 8(eight) covers.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(b) - Please ensure that a cot is available for children being served in room A. The room lacked 5(five) additional cots for the capacity of the room.

Correction Deadline: 6/11/2025

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.

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Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR	Met
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Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)	Met
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Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)	Met
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Comment

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper ratios and classroom capacities were discussed with the director on this date.

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

There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, was discussed with the director on this date.