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Date: 7/21/2026 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:15 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

CCLC-47083

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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.
07/21/2026	POI Follow Up	Support	
06/24/2026	Licensing Study	Support	
06/16/2026	TA Follow Up	NA	

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	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	26	C	NA	NA	Nap,Free Play
Main	B- 2L		0	0	C	24	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C- 3L	Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	21	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Transitioning
Main	D- 4L		0	0	C	26	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	E- Back Cafe		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F- Back 1L		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	G- Back 2L		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	H- Back 3L		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	I- 4R		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	J- 3R		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	K- 2R		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	L- 1R	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	7	C	24	C	NA	NA	Free Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 277

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 32

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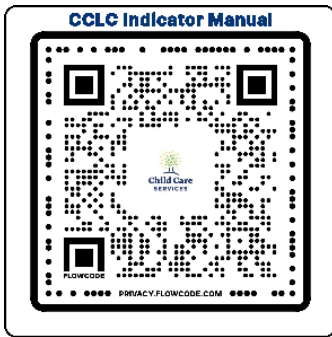
Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- 1L	30	C
Main	B- Back Left	238	C
Main	C- Middle	25	C
Main	D- Right	73	C

Comments

Followed up on previous citations.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 08/04/2026



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.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:

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!



Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2026

Corrected on 7/21/2026

.08(1) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The children's information was observed to be completed.

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2026

Corrected on 7/21/2026

.08(6) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The attendance was observed to be completed for the week of July 6, 2026 to July 17, 2026.

Facility

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2026

Corrected on 7/21/2026

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The items were removed from the classroom and cubbies.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the fan in the K-2R classroom, the fan was observed to be in need of repair.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2026

Recited on 7/21/2026

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2026

Corrected on 7/21/2026

.25(8) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The outlets were observed to be covered.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2026

Corrected on 7/21/2026

.26(9) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The hose was removed and secured and the nail heads were flushed with the border.

Safety

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) requires that the interior of a transportation vehicle be clean, in safe repair and free of hazardous items, objects and/or other non-essential items which could cause injury. It was determined based on observation that the second left aisle seat was observed to be torn on the side and the plastic material was detached for vehicle tag number CHI 3003.

Correction Deadline: 8/4/2026

Recited on 7/21/2026

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(f)1. requires that all transported children be secured in a child passenger restraining system or seat safety belt in accordance with current state and federal laws and regulations and according to manufacturer's directions. It was determined based on observation that the fourth row right and left window seat belts were observed to be twisted and the first right window seat belt was not retracting on vehicle tag number CHI 3003. Also, the seat belt on the left window in the second row was observed to be inverted.

Correction Deadline: 8/4/2026

Recited on 7/21/2026

Staff Records

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

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591-1-1-.33(5)(a)-The correction deadline of July 24, 2026, has not yet passed.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2026

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)(b)(1)- The correction deadline of July 24, 2026, has not yet passed.

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591-1-1-.33(5)(b)(2)(i)-(iv)-The correction deadline of July 24, 2026, has not yet passed.

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