

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

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(Cover Sheet)**Date:** 2/9/2026 **VisitType:** EX-CAPS-Monitoring**Arrival:** 2:30PM **Departure:** 4:00PM**EX-46569 EXMT-12295 EX-1 - Government
Marietta Community School**

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Joint with:

Compliance Zone Designation			Prevention Action Category	Intermediate Action Category	Dismissal Action Category
2/9/2026	EX-CAPS-Monitoring	Prevention	Prevention Level 1 (P1)	Intermediate Level 1 (I1)	Dismissal (D)
			Technical Assistance	Corrective Action Plan	Dismissal
				Office Conference	Disqualification
			Prevention Level 2 (P2)	Intermediate Level 2 (I2)	
			Citation	Fine (Level 1 or 2)	
			Plan of Improvement		
			Prevention Level 3 (P3)	Intermediate Level 3 (I3)	

Room Description	Age Groups	Staff Count	Children Count	State Ratio Met	Notes
Cafeteria	PreK, Fives	3	39	Y	
Playground		0	0	Y	
Playroom		0	0	Y	

Group Sizes Met? Y

Total # Non-Care Staff Present: 0

#Staff Count: 3

#Children Count: 39

Comments:

The program was operating as approved by the exemption category.

Please refer to the Exemption page of the website, <https://www.decal.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 EX-CAPS-Monitoring:**Activities and Equipment****EX-HS-.A Activities****Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.A - Activities observed to be appropriate and safe for children in care.

EX-HS-.F Equipment & Toys**Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.F - The equipment and furniture observed to be properly used, secured and did not pose a hazard.

EX-HS-.Q Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CS)**N/A****Comment**

EX-HS-.Q - The Program does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records**EX-HS-.C Children's Records****Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.C - Observed children's files as required.

Exemptions**EX-HS-.X Exemption Requirements****Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.X - Program operating as approved.

Facility**EX-HS-.B Bathrooms****Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.B - Program observed to have adequate toilets, sinks and supplies available.

EX-HS-.L Physical Plant(CS)**Not Met****Finding**

EX-HS-.L(2) requires the Program to be in compliance with applicable laws and regulations issued by the state fire marshal, the proper local fire marshal or state inspector, including a certificate of occupancy if required prior to receiving any children for care. It was determined based on review of records that the program did not submit a fire inspection report for review.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Program will obtain appropriate approvals, and ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations by the state fire marshal, proper local fire marshal or state inspector, including a certificate of occupancy, are maintained and met.

EX-HS-.M Playgrounds(CS)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

EX-HS-.M(3) - Please repair the small hole on the playground rubber resilient surfacing between the two sliding boards.

Health and Hygiene**EX-HS-.U Diapering Areas & Practices(CS)**

N/A

Comment

EX-HS-.U - No diapered children enrolled

EX-HS-.H Hygiene

Met

Comment

EX-HS-.H - Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

EX-HS-.I Medications(CS)

N/A

Comment

EX-HS-.I - Medication is not dispensed.

Policies and Procedures**EX-HS-.J Operational Policies & Procedures**

Met

Comment

EX-HS-.J - Observed evidence of written policies and procedures that describe the Program's operations on this date.

EX-HS-.T Required Reporting

Met

Comment

EX-HS-.T - There were no incidents or injuries that required reporting.

Safety**EX-HS-.E Discipline(CS)**

Met

Comment

EX-HS-.E - Observed appropriate discipline on this date.

EX-HS-.S Field Trips

N/A

Comment

EX-HS-.S - No field trips are conducted at the program.

EX-HS-.R Transportation(CS)

N/A

Comment

EX-HS-.R - No transportation provided.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**EX-HS-.V Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CS)**

N/A

Comment

EX-HS-.V - No infants enrolled in the program.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/03/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

EX-HS-.P(3)-Health and Safety Training

Staff # 3

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

EX-HS-.P(3)-Health and Safety Training

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/25/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

EX-HS-.P(3)-Health and Safety Training

EX-HS-.D Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CS)**Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.D - Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

EX-HS-.G First Aid & CPR(CS)**Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.G - Observed evidence of staff training in CPR and first aid on this date.

EX-HS-.K Personnel Records**Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.K - Observed personal records maintained.

EX-HS-.N Staff Requirements**Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.N - Observed a director or person responsible for overall supervision of the program.

EX-HS-.P Staff Training**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

EX-HS-.P(3)(a-k) - Please make sure that new staff members complete all the Health and Safety training hours required to meet this requirement.

Staffing and Supervision**EX-HS-.O Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision(CS)****Met****Comment**

EX-HS-.O - Adequate supervision observed on this date.