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Date: 12/22/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:00 AM **Departure:** 4:00 PM

CCLC-53785

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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.
12/22/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/04/2025	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/22/2024	Licensing Study	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
Building A	Room A-3-4 Year-Old	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	4	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Building A	Room B- 2 Year-Old		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Building A	Room C-GA PreK/ School Age		0	0	C	36	C	NA	NA	
Building A	Room D-Infants	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	2	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 87			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 6			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
0	2	4	2	14	4	2

Comments

There are 14 subsidized children enrolled. The program does participate in the food program. The Consultant provided TA to discuss the new rule changes with the Director 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 ongoing child development and health and safety related topics as part of their 10 hours of annual training.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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.decgal.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@decgal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Not Met

Comment

591-1-1-.03(1) -Based on observation children were actively engaged in developmentally appropriate activities.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.03(7) requires the center to provide outdoor activities daily, weather permitting. It was determined based on observation and discussion with Staff, children have not had outdoor play in approximately one to two weeks.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will follow a schedule that allows for all children to have the required amount of daily outside play time.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2025

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2025

Corrected on 12/22/2025

.12(2) - On this date the Consultant did not observe any T.V. 's in classroom C.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**Met****Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained. The Consultant discussed being mindful to monitor bathrooms before holiday breaks to ensure toilets are flushed and cleanliness. Also, check the drainage to the left sink in classroom A, as it is slow to drain.

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****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 there was no hot running water in classrooms A, B, and D. It was also determined based on observation that there was peeling paint on the ceiling in the bathroom of classroom B and chipped peeling paint on the ceiling over the doorway of classroom C.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring. The provider did contact maintenance while on site to try and correct the hot water issue.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2025

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

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Comment

Trees located on the site or that encroach onto the site from adjacent properties may have structural issues that present an elevated level of risk. Consider having these trees inspected by a certified arborist to determine their structural integrity and associated levels of risk.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - The Consultant discussed raking and removing the excessive amount of leaves throughout the playground area. The Consultant observed at least 6 inches of leaves on the Infant and Toddler playground area.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2025

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines. Based on observation the menu and meal service meet USDA guidelines

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized on this date.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health**Met**

Correction Deadline: 6/4/2025

Corrected on 12/22/2025

.07(5) - It was observed on this date that there were no children permitted to wear around heir necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Based on observation, Staff followed proper hand washing procedures. Also based on Staff discussion, Staff was able to tell the proper hand washing steps for the children.

Comment

Staff was able to state proper times and proper steps for children hand washing procedures.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(1)(r) - The Consultant discussed the new rule for policy and procedure manuals and to add 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 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. The Consultant also discussed with the Director 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.

Correction Deadline: 12/27/2025

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills.

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.27 - Consultant discussed with provider to include a copy of the most recent rule book to the posted notice area in the lobby. The Consultant also discussed posting the menu so that parents and visitors can readily review it and to also include a copy of the center's emergency plans with phone numbers to the required posted notices.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2025

Safety**591-1-1-.05 Animals****Met****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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

591-1-1-.30(1)(a) - The Consultant observed four cribs present in classroom D, and that each crib met safety standards on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 11

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 11

Not Met

Date of Hire: 09/23/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Met****Comment**

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.14(1)(a) requires all Staff who provide direct care to children must obtain certification in a biennial training program in pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in pediatric first aid within the first 45 days of employment. Current and valid evidence of the successful completion of such training shall be maintained on the Center's premises. The hours obtained completing this certification will not count towards the required annual training hours. It was determined based on a review of documentation one PreK Staff member did not have evidence of current Pediatric CPR and First Aid certification on file. The certification on file has an expiration date of November 2025.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

All caregiver Staff will complete the required training. The Director will send copies via email verification of completed CPR/First Aid certification to the Consultant upon completion and will develop a plan to ensure all caregiver Staff have completed this training within the first 45 days of employment and that evidence of successful completion of the training is on file available for inspection.

Correction Deadline: 1/21/2026

591-1-1-.28 Prohibited Substances**Met****Comment**

591-1-1-.28(2) - There were no prohibited substances observed on the this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2025

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training. The Consultant reminded the Director that newly hired Staff must meet the 10 hour required training within the hire date and one year anniversary.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2. requires teachers and lead caregivers to meet minimum academic requirements and qualifying experience at the time of employment. It was determined based on a review of records and discussion with the Director, there are no lead teacher/ care givers in classroom A and classroom D that meet the minimum academic requirements and qualifying work experience.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

A teacher/lead care giver will be hired that meets the minimum academic requirements and qualifying work experience.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.