



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/5/2025 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:55 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-1093

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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.
03/05/2025	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Support	
02/25/2025	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
02/17/2025	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
Main	A-1st Left	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Transitioning
Main	B-2nd Left	One Year Olds	1	4	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C-3rd Left 150	One Year Olds	1	5	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D- 1st Right 200	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	E-2nd Right 250	Four Year Olds	2	16	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	F-3rd Right 300	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G-4th Right 350	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	22	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	H-5th Right(Rear) 400		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	I-Center Rear 500	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	17	C	30	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	J-Left Rear- GYM		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	K-Center- Cafeteria		0	0	C	23	C	32	C	Not In Use
Main	L- Bldg II 1st Rt	Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	C	16	C	22	C	Story
Main	M- 2nd Rt- 1st Grade	Six Year Olds and Over	1	5	C	16	C	23	C	Story
Main	N- 1st Left-1st Grade	Six Year Olds and Over	1	5	C	16	C	22	C	Story
Main	O- 2nd Left	Six Year Olds and Over	1	9	C	16	C	23	C	Transitioning
Main	P - 1st Left Drake		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Q - next to gym		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	Not In Use

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 333

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 368

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

Visit completed

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 03/19/2025

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.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 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 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@decgal.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 Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.03(6) - The previous citation was corrected. The consultant did not observe children to spend more than one-half hour of time consecutively in confining equipment.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.06(4)-The correction deadline for this rule was March 19, 2025. This rule was not evaluated on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/19/2025

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(8) requires protective caps on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that six electrical outlets, not in use, did not have protective caps and were within reach of children in classroom J Left rear Gym on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2025

Recited on 3/5/2025

Defer

591-1-1-.26 This rule was not evaluated due to inclement weather.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2025

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

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.07(5) The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed that no potential hazardous items were attached to children's clothing on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.17(7) - The previous citation was corrected . The consultant observed staff to properly wash children's hands on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.17(8) - The consultant observed staff to properly wash their hands on this date.

Safety**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****Not Met**

Correction Deadline: 3/7/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.36(4)(a) - The previous citation was corrected. The vehicle with VIN #ending in 6865 was no longer in use.

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 three seats were torn exposing foam, in the vehicle with tag number RJR4809.

Correction Deadline: 3/21/2025

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.30(1)(a)3 - The previous citation was corrected.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant's back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant's back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer's guidelines and will not slide up around the infant's face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that safe sleep rules were not met in classroom A 1st left when a staff person placed an infant in a crib on their stomach after transferring them from a bouncer seat.

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2025

Recited on 3/5/2025

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.30(2)(c) - The previous citation was corrected. The consultant observed staff to transfer children to a safety-approved crib after falling asleep in their bouncy seat.

Staff Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.31(13) - The previous citation was corrected. The vehicle with VIN # ending in 6865 was no longer in use.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2025

Corrected on 3/5/2025

.32(7) - The previous citation was corrected.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(7) - Supervision procedures and requirements were discussed.

Correction Deadline: 3/5/2025