Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/16/2025 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:15 AM **Departure:** 11:15 AM

CCLC-3571
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Same

Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
05/16/2025	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
10/29/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/25/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing

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.

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 first left	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	7	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	B first right	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C Second Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	9	C	9	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	D - Pre K	GA PreK	2	19	C	17	NC	NA	NA	Story
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 44			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 40		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 44			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	18	C
Main	Playground B	18	C
Main	Playground C	55	C

Enrolled Children

Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
2	2	6	12	6	14	0

Comments
The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit.

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.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 a1 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 Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 5 Not Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2001

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

Staff # 16 Not Met
Date of Hire: 01/18/2010

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

591-1-1-.03 Activities **Met**

Correction Deadline: 10/29/2024

Corrected on 5/16/2025
The previous citation was corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
The consultant discussed toys and play materials must be available, stored on low, open shelves accessible to children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 6/15/2025

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

Comment
Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 5 Not Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2001

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

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.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

Staff # 16 Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/18/2010

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

Comment
Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Technical Assistance
The consultant discussed potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 5/16/2025

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

Comment
Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 5 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2001

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

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Staff # 16 Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/18/2010

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

Comment
Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment
Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Comment
Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 5 Not Met

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

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

Comment
Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Finding
591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) requires any Center that provides any type of transportation to obtain two (2) hours of state-approved or state-accepted transportation training, biannually, for the Director and for each person responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children. The training shall include, but is not limited to, a review of the transportation rules, a review of approved transportation forms and procedures, and instruction on the usage and completion of the forms and procedures. This training may be counted as part of the annual training requirements for Staff. It was determined by review of record staff member #5 and #6 transportation training expired January 2025.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will ensure that the Director, Center Staff, and any person responsible for the transportation of children has completed the required transportation training.

Correction Deadline: 5/26/2025

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 5 Not Met

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Staff # 16 Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/18/2010

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

Comment
Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 5 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2001

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

Staff # 16 Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/18/2010

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

Comment
Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment
Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Records Reviewed: 17 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 5 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2001

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Staff # 16 Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/18/2010

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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.