



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 1/8/2025 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

**Arrival:** 2:15 PM **Departure:** 6:00 PM

**CCLC-33771**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★ ★

| Compliance Zone Designation |                  |               | <b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.<br><br><b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.<br><b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.<br><b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 01/08/2025                  | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 05/16/2024                  | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 01/11/2024                  | POI Follow Up    | 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                        |
|--------------------------------|------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| One bldg.                      | 1    | Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over | 2     | 30       | C                             | 30         | C            | NA                                                          | NA           | Snack,Transitioning,Homework |
| One bldg.                      | 2    | Six Year Olds and Over                                       | 2     | 30       | C                             | 30         | C            | NA                                                          | NA           | Snack,Transitioning,Homework |
| One bldg.                      | Gym  | Six Year Olds and Over                                       | 2     | 29       | C                             | 145        | C            | NA                                                          | NA           | Transitioning,Snack,Homework |
|                                |      | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150                              |       |          | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |            |              | Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks |              |                              |
| Total # Children this Date: 89 |      | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150                              |       |          | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 |            |              |                                                             |              |                              |

| Building  | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|-----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| One bldg. | One plgr.  | 240                  | C                     |

| Enrolled Children |         |         |         |         |                    |                   |
|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Under 1 years     | 1 years | 2 years | 3 years | 4 years | 5 years (Prekonly) | 5 years and older |
| 0                 | 0       | 0       | 0       | 1       | 14                 | 88                |

### Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit and follow up on previous citations.

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.

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#### 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](http://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.

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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@decal.ga.gov](mailto: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**

**591-1-1.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

**591-1-1.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility**

**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)**

**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 in the gym there were 26 bolts that were located at the base of each beam that were exposed and each bolt had more than three threads. Further, 21 bolts did not have a plastic covering.

**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 plastic covers that were originally placed on the bolts will be replaced. Staff will talk to children about not removing the covers.

**Correction Deadline: 1/8/2025**

**Recited on 1/8/2025**

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

Please continue to monitor the playground for possible hazards and to repair or treat as needed.

**Health and Hygiene****591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****N/A****Comment**

No children enrolled who require diapering. School age children attend only for after school hours.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

**Safety****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(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 bus # EAH028 and bus # RGA5131 interior had multiple rips and tears throughout the buses with exposed foam on this date.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will maintain that all transportation vehicles are clean, in safe repair, and free from hazards.

**Correction Deadline: 1/9/2025**

**Correction Deadline: 5/17/2024**

**Corrected on 1/8/2025**

.36(7)(d)1. - The previous citation corrected. The consultant observed driver complete first check on the bus as required on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 5/16/2024**

**Corrected on 1/8/2025**

.36(7)(d)2. - Previous citation corrected. The consultant observed second check on bus as required on this date.

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

Sleeping/Naps are not required for this program. School age children attend only for after school hours.

**Staff Records**

**Correction Deadline: 5/16/2024****Corrected on 1/8/2025**

.09(1)(a) - The correction was observed during a review of records. All staff members obtained their Comprehensive Records Check as required on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 5/16/2024****Corrected on 1/8/2025**

.09(1)(c) - The correction was observed during a review of records. All staff were observed to have a comprehensive Records Check on this date.

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.33(6) requires that evidence of orientation and training shall be documented in the Personnel file of each Staff member and shall be available to the Department for inspection. It was determined based on review of records that the center did not have personnel staff records for Documentation of Orientation files available as required.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will develop and implement procedures to review staff records for documentation of training and orientation, to obtain and place missing documentation in staff records, and to file such documents in staff records on an ongoing basis.

**Correction Deadline: 1/18/2025**

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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| <b>Staffing and Supervision</b> |
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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.

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**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)****Met****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.