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Date: 9/14/2026 VisitType: Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 11:40 AM Departure: 3:25 PM

CCLC-37962

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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.
09/14/2026	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/08/2026	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/16/2025	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
			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 1R	Infants and One Year Olds	2	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play, Lunch
Main	B 2R	One Year Olds	2	7	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C 3R	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	D 4R	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	9	C	28	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Dining Hall		0	0	C	21	C	30	C	
Main	E Rear R	GA PreK	2	16	C	26	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	F Rear L	GA PreK	2	13	C	28	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	G 3L		0	0	C	31	C	NA	NA	
Main	H 2L	Three Year Olds	3	21	C	40	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	I 1L	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	14	C	40	C	NA	NA	Transitioning

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 262

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 271

Total # Children this Date: 95

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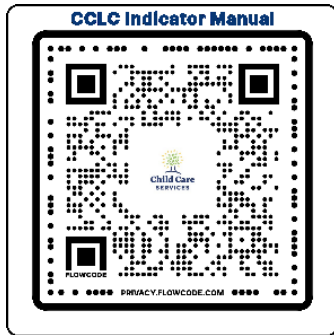
Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A Left Side	87	C
Main	B Rear	91	C
Main	C Right Side	81	C
Main	Concrete Area	12	C

Enrolled Children					
Infant (0-12 months)	Toddler (1-2 yrs)	Preschool (3-5yrs/full time care)	School Age (before/after care only)	GA PreK only	Summer Only
5	29	38	0	34	0

Comments

The consultant discussed the visit report with the Director, Melissa Vargas, on September 14, 2026.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date



For additional information regarding any licensing topics discussed during this visit, please consult the Rules and Regulations Indicator Manual. This manual provides comprehensive clarification of each rule, including evaluation indicators, related best practices, and relevant considerations to support your program's continued and sustained compliance.

To access the Indicator Manual, please scan the QR code below or visit our website at <https://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>.



For additional information regarding the full compliance inspection results of this program or any licensed program in the state, access the Child Care Services Compliance-at-a Glance website by scanning this QR code or visiting: <https://families.decal.ga.gov>.

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



Summary 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

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(2) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that the the round, vinyl cushions are discarded when they are torn.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2026

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

N/A

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 on this date.

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - Consultant discussed with the director that the bolts on the commodes should be free from rust.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2026

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Consultant and the administration discussed alternative activities when the temperature is too hot for outdoor play.

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that the round berries are removed from the back, right corner of playground C Right Side.

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation that a child did not wash their hands after using the restroom in classroom F Rear L.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will create a system for monitoring hand washing during transitions.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2026**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.20(1) - Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that the prescription number on the medication authorization form matches the prescription number on the medication.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2026**Safety****591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

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

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**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Comment

Staff stated knowledge of SUIDS and infant safe sleep requirements.

Comment

591-1-1-.30(1)(a) - Consultant observed that eight of ten cribs were manufactured in July 2014 and that two of ten cribs were manufactured in May 2011 in classroom A1R. Consultant observed the center to have documentation from the crib manufacturer that the cribs constructed in 2011 were compliant with 16 C.F.R. part 1220 as required.

Correction Deadline: 9/24/2026**Staff Records****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided nine files for employees hired since last visit April 8, 2026.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR(CR)**Met****Comment**

Consultant observed evidence of 100% of center Staff hired more than 45 days to be certified in First Aid and CPR containing emergency care for infants and children on this date.

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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.