



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/13/2026 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:40 AM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-26310

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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.
03/13/2026	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/04/2026	TA Follow Up	NA	
12/22/2025	TA Follow Up	NA	

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 Two	Rm 1		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Building Two	Rm 2		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Building Two	Rm 3	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers,Story
Building Two	Rm 4	Two Year Olds	2	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Outside,Nap,Transitioning,Lunch
Building Two	Rm 5	Infants	3	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Centers,Feeding,Nap
Building Two	Rm 6	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Floor Play
Building Two	Rm 7	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	24	C	34	C	Lunch,Centers,Transitioning,Clean Up,Outside,Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 133			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 269							
Main	A	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	14	C	15	C	21	C	Clean Up,Centers
Main	B	One Year Olds	1	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Nap,Lunch,Outside
Main	C		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	D		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	Not In Use

Main	E	One Year Olds	1	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap, Lunch, Free Play
Main	F - Cafeteria		0	0	C	23	C	32	C	Not In Use
Main	G - New classroom	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	22	C	24	C	33	C	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 102					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 269					
Total # Children this Date: 100			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 235			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 269				

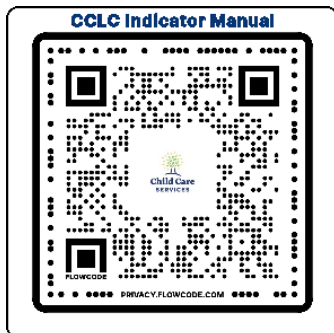
Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building Two	PG 1 (Left)	31	C
Main	PG 2 (Middle)	45	C
Main	PG 3 (Right)	53	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
13	26	25	17	25	0	41

Comments

The Consultant discussed the findings of the Monitoring Visit with the Center Director and emailed a copy via DocuSign. The Consultant discussed Chop, Look, and Listen and left flyers with the Center Director.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed



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>.

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

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.dec.al.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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!



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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2025

Corrected on 3/13/2026

.12(2) -The previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit. The Consultant observed previously cited furniture hazards to be removed from the classrooms and no longer in use.

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

Parent agreements observed obtained/completed.

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2025

Corrected on 3/13/2026

.08(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit. The previously cited 5 child records were observed to be through and complete with all required information.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center on this date. The Consultant observed one hundred and fifteen children present during this visit.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 9/28/2025****Corrected on 3/13/2026**

.25(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day. The center spackled then painted the sheetrock.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 9/28/2025****Corrected on 3/13/2026**

.26(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The center capped the protruding bolts with a soft cap and repaired the chain link fence panel.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2025**Corrected on 3/13/2026**

.26(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day. Swing chains have been replaced and all support poles are anchored.

Food Service**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025****Corrected on 3/13/2026**

.15(2)(f) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit. The Consultant observed infants and 1-year-old children to be served food cut into the appropriate sizes.

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands on this date.

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.

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

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2025

Corrected on 3/13/2026

.30(1)(a)2 - The previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit. The Center removed the foam crib mattresses and purchased mattresses for all cribs that were waterproof and could be disinfected properly as required.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/13/2026

.30(1)(a)3 - The previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit. The provider stated that the Center purchased tight fitting sheets for all cribs. The Consultant observed that the sheets were tight fitting.

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 11 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/13/2026

.09(1)(a) - The previous citation was observed corrected during this visit.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/13/2026

.09(1)(c) - The previous citation was observed corrected during this visit.

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

Met

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center Staff certified in First Aid and CPR containing emergency care for infants and children on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed. 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

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/13/2026

.32(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit. The Consultant observed Staff: child ratio to be correct during multiple walk through during this visit.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2025

Corrected on 3/13/2026

.32(7) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected during this visit.