



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/22/2026 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Licensing **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 2:20 PM
Study

CCLC-46662

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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.
07/22/2026	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/04/2026	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
11/25/2025	Complaint Closure	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	LW-1L - Private Pre-K	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	10	C	21	C	30	C	Transitioning, Outside
Main	LW-1R - Pre-K 1	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	LW-2L - Early 4	Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	C	23	C	32	C	Circle Time, Centers
Main	LW-2R - Pre-K 2		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	LW-3L-Afterschool	Four Year Olds	1	10	C	17	C	23	C	Circle Time
Main	LW-3R - Pre-K 3	Six Year Olds and Over	1	10	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	RW - 2L - Infant 2	Infants and One Year Olds	2	9	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play, Feeding, Free Play
Main	RW - 3L - Private-Pre-K 4	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Art, Centers
Main	RW-1L - Infant 1	Infants	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap, Feeding, Floor Play, Free Play
Main	RW-1R - Toddler 1	One Year Olds	3	18	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Outside, Diapering, Free Play
Main	RW-2R-Toddler 2	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	12	C	25	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Story, Outside, Diapering
Main	RW-3R-Toddler 2-1/2	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	13	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside, Story, Transitioning

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 271			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 295		
Total # Children this Date: 133			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 271		
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 295		

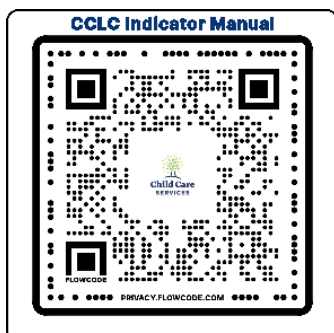
Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant Playground	6	C
Main	Preschool-School-Age Playground	251	C
Main	Right Back - Two-Year-Old	42	C
Main	Right Front - One-Year-Old	19	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
18	17	15	18	23	14	27

Comments

All core rules and none core rules were evaluated on this date.

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>.

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!



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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the red vinyl couch in the reading center in Classroom LW-3L-Afterschool was torn on the top and bottom right corner, the middle bottom section of the seat, and the bottom left corner.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 7/22/2026

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

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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

The Center appeared clean and well maintained on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - The Consultant and Director discussed ensuring the lid to the toilet in the right side bathroom between Classrooms RW- 3R- Toddler 2-1/2 and RW- 4L- Preschool 3 fits the toilet to prevent children from having access to the back of the toilet.

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

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Health and Hygiene

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed completed on this date.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures	Met
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Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)	Met
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Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	Met
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Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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