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Date: 9/16/2026 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:30 AM **Departure:** 1:40 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
09/16/2026	Licensing Study	Good Standing
04/17/2026	Initial 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	#1- Right Hall- 1st Right Blue Door Infant	Infants	2	9	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	#10 ASP Yellow Door		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	#14 Downstairs Left Green Door Pre-k	GA PreK	1	16	C	24	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	#2- Left Hall -1st Left red door Toddler		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	#3- Left Hall 2nd Left Yellow Door Two-Three's	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Transitioning
Main	#4- Left Hall- 3rd Left Orange Door Three's		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	#5- Left Hall- 3rd Right Green Door Two's	One Year Olds	1	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	#6- Left Hall- 2nd Right Purple door Toddlers	One Year Olds	1	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Free Play
Main	#7- Left Hall 1st Right Blue Door Three's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch,Transitioning
Main	#8- Back Hall- Left Purple Door Pre-k	GA PreK	2	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Outside,Transitioning
Main	#9- Back Hall Right-Blue Door Pre-k		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 79		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 171				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

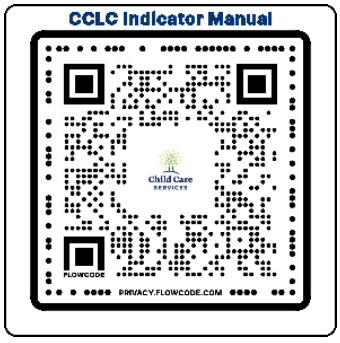
Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground- Front Covered	3	C
Main	Playground- Front Playground End Uncovered	14	C
Main	Playground- Left Side Front Middle Covered	8	C
Main	Playground- Left Side Middle	97	C
Main	Playground- Right Side	317	C
Main	Playground- Trike Path	51	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
9	29	28	0	18	0

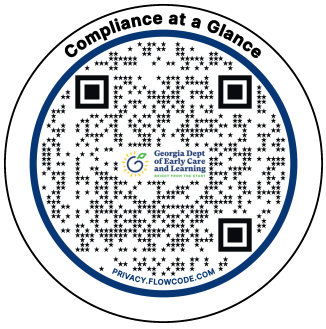
Comments
The findings of this report were reviewed with the Director.

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.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:

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 for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Comment
A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center on this date.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR) **N/A**

Comment
Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms **Met**

Correction Deadline: 5/17/2026

Corrected on 9/16/2026
.06(4) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. Bathrooms were repaired to be fully enclosed.

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) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation the following classrooms had hazards present and in reach of children:
Room #6 - Left Hall- 2nd Right Purple Door Toddlers: Lysol wipes in the floor behind the teachers desk and 2 adult scissors in the storage drawers behind the teachers desk.
Room #14 Downstairs Left Green Door Pre-k: Tide Stick, adult scissors, stapler. lotion, hand sanitizer and an uncovered outlet outlet on or behind the teachers desk.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 9/16/2026

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Not Met**

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2026

Corrected on 9/16/2026
.26(4) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The entire fence had been replaced.

Finding
591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that one inch of mulch was measured in the fall zone of the blue, red and yellow climbing structure and swings on the Right Side Playground. Additionally, one inch of mulch was measured in the fall zone of the swings and red, blue, yellow climbing structure on the Left Side Middle Playground. Six inches of resilient surfacing was required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 10/2/2026

Recited on 9/16/2026

Health and Hygiene

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

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2026

Corrected on 9/16/2026
.10(2) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The diapering classrooms have made adjustments to ensure they are adjacent to sinks.

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

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

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

Comment
Documentation for medication dispensing observed completed on this date.

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.

Staff Records

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

Comment
Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.14(1)(a) requires all Staff who provide direct care to children must obtain certification in a biennial training program in pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in pediatric first aid within the first 45 days of employment. Current and valid evidence of the successful completion of such training shall be maintained on the Center's premises. The hours obtained completing this certification will not count towards the required annual training hours. It was determined based on a review of records the following staff members did not have first aid and CPR training within the first 45 days of being hired as required: Staff #1 with a hire date of April 9, 2026, Staff #12 with a hire date of July 24, 2026, Staff #13 with a hire date of May 1, 2026, and Staff #20 with a hire date of July 27, 2026.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
All caregiver Staff will complete the required training. The Director will send copies via email verification of completed CPR/First Aid certification to the consultant upon completion and will develop a plan to ensure all caregiver Staff have completed this training within the first 45 days of employment and that evidence of successful completion of the training is on file available for inspection.

Correction Deadline: 9/16/2026

Finding
591-1-1-.14(2)(b) requires that there must always be one staff person present in each classroom where children are present that has current and valid pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and pediatric first aid training. It was determined based on observation, Staff #1, Staff #2 and Staff #20 was the only staff present in a classroom and did not have first aid and CPR as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Director will schedule and/or position caregiver Staff throughout the Center to ensure at least one currently pediatric CPR and First Aid trained Staff person is present in each classroom where children are present.

Correction Deadline: 9/16/2026

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

Comment
Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

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) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. It was determined based on observation that Staff in Room #6- Left Hall- 2nd Right Purple Door Toddlers, were not seated within arm's length of children, under 36 months during snack time, minimizing the risk of children choking.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 9/16/2026