



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/9/2025 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:15 AM **Departure:** 4:00 PM

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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.
06/09/2025	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
11/19/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/05/2023	Licensing Study	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 Bld	123	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	7	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Bld	125	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main Bld	127	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch
Main Bld	129	Three Year Olds	3	13	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Bld	130	Infants and One Year Olds	3	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Nap
Main Bld	132	One Year Olds	3	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Bld	UP 224/4R		0	0	C	11	C	15	C	Not In Use
Main Bld	UP 226/3R	Six Year Olds and Over	2	15	C	16	C	23	C	Centers
Main Bld	UP 227/1L	Four Year Olds	3	14	C	17	C	24	C	Centers
Main Bld	UP 228/2R	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	15	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main Bld	UP 230/1R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	3	12	C	16	C	22	C	Centers
Main Bld	UP 235		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main Bld	UP L Hall 232/1L	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	3	15	C	21	C	29	C	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 199			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 299							
Total # Children this Date: 131			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 299							

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
17	11	14	30	33	0	49

Comments

Newly hired Staff Files were reviewed and Core Rules were evaluated during this visit.

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.decgal.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:

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 CAPS/ QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward an initial star rating. Provisional Status eligibility will be determined at the time of CAPS enrollment as part of the CAPS application process.

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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(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.

Comment

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

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.

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

Not Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(12) requires heating and cooling equipment to be protected to prevent children from touching it. Fans, space heaters, etc. shall be positioned or installed so as to be inaccessible to the children. The Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure that all air purifiers in the classrooms were positioned or installed to be inaccessible to children as required.

Correction Deadline: 6/9/2025

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 that a grocery bag was in use and stored in a child's cubby area in Classroom 125 on this date. It was further determined that there were two grocery bags located on the playground that were in use and accessible to children on this date.

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: 6/9/2025

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 there was water damage on one ceiling tile located in the center of Classroom 132 next to the central ceiling vent. It was further determined that there was water damage on one ceiling tile located in the front right corner of the bathroom in Classroom 228.

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.

Correction Deadline: 6/30/2025

Recited on 6/9/2025

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/2/2024

Corrected on 6/9/2025

.26(4) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed all bolts located on the fence did not extend more than two threads as required on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/19/2024

Corrected on 6/9/2025

.17(6) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that all garbage and organic waste were stored in containers that were lined with plastic liners and had tight-fitting covers as required 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

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

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

Met

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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-.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
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Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.