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Date: 10/6/2025 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:25 AM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

CCLC-48011

Wings of a Dove Christian Preparatory Academy

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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.
10/06/2025	Monitoring Visit	Deficient	
04/29/2025	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
02/20/2025	Licensing Study	Support	

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 & B 1L & 2L - AM Exempt - PM - School-Age	GA PreK	2	13	C	40	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room C - 3L - Infant	Infants	1	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	Room D - 4L - Rear - 1 year olds	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room E - 5R - Rear - School - Age - Multi-Purpose		0	0	C	38	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room F - 4R - Preschool	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	19	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room G - 3R - Toddler	GA PreK	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers,Transiti oning
Main	Room H - 2R - Preschool		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room I - 1R - Toddler 2	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 186			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 65			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 186							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - Front - Left	25	C
Main	Playground B - Rear Left	27	C

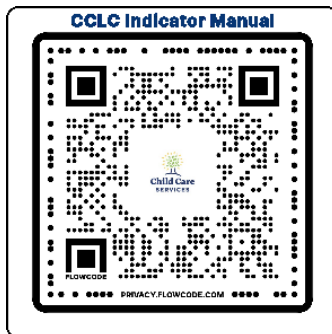
Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
6	8	18	17	29	3	15

Comments

On this date, Jessica Johnson (JJ), Consultant, reviewed the visit report with Administrator Sharon Boddie.

JJ discussed and left a copy of the updated Child Care Weather watch Chart with the program today. Weather does not permit outdoor play when there is active precipitation or when weather advisories are in effect. Consult the Child Care Weather Watch Chart resource for further guidance, considering specific weather conditions.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 10/21/2025



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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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

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

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

Correction Deadline: 5/13/2025

Corrected on 10/6/2025

.06(7) - The previous citation was corrected on this date as the restrooms were observed as clean and in good repair.

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(11) - Please ensure that carpets are smooth and tight in each classroom.

Correction Deadline: 11/5/2025

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 the following hazards were present:

Classroom A 1L and Classroom B 2L

- Hand sanitizer was observed on top of the teacher's desk.

Classroom D 4th L

- Staples and adult scissors were observed in an unlocked blue cabinet accessible to children in care.

Room I - 1R

- Diaper wipes were observed in a blue diaper bag accessible to children in care.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2025

Recited on 10/6/2025

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 the following hazards were present:

Classroom D- 4L Rear

- Chipped paint was observed near the back right wall.

Classroom F- 4R

- A torn carpet was observed in the dramatic play area in the back of the classroom.
- Residue was observed on the tool shelf near the dramatic play area.

Classroom H

- A loose handle was observed on the blue cabinet on the right of the sink.
- Chipping paint was observed near the cots in the back of the classroom.

Classroom E- 5R Rear

- Damaged ceiling tiles were observed in the back corner above the cubbies.
- A damaged ceiling tile was observed near the boys' restroom.

Correction Deadline: 10/20/2025

Recited on 10/6/2025

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

Not Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(4) - Discussed covering the black fence on Playground C with a fence covering.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were present:

Playground A

- Rust was observed on the handle bars of the red scooter and the pink tricycle.

Playground C

- Rust was observed on the handle bars of the red merry-go-round.
 - Rust was observed on the handle bars of the blue train.
 - Rust was observed on the handle bars of the purple car.
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Correction Deadline: 10/7/2025

Recited on 10/6/2025

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 the following hazards were present:

Playground A

- 2 inches of resilient surface was observed around the red slide when 3 inches were required.

Playground B

- 3 inches of resilient surface was observed around the green slide when 6 inches were required.
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Correction Deadline: 11/6/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Please ensure to remove spider webs prior to children's use of the playground. Discussed re-attaching the covering on the fence on Playground B .

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2025

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10(4) - Please ensure that items are not stored on the diapering table.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2025**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**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2025**Corrected on 10/6/2025**

.20(4) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date as the program does not dispense medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(4) - Discussed updating the Center's policies and procedures to include the program's practices regarding the expulsion and suspension of children enrolled for care within the description of behavior management and discipline actions used by the Center.

Also discussed to ensure a description of the practices followed by the Center to prevent shaken baby syndrome and abusive head trauma in children up to five years of age that includes the following information: how to recognize, respond to, and report the signs and symptoms of shaken baby syndrome and abusive head trauma; strategies to assist staff members in understanding how to care for infants and how to cope with a crying, fussing, or distraught child; strategies to ensure staff members understand the brain development of children up to five years of age; and a list of prohibited behaviors when dealing with children.

Additional information can be found in the CCLC Indicator Manual found on DECAL's website at:

<https://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx> or through the Center on Shaken Baby Syndrome found at: <https://dontshake.org/>.

Correction Deadline: 10/11/2025

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

Comment

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

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(4)(c) - Please ensure monitoring each transportation vehicle's fire extinguisher routinely to ensure the extinguisher is maintained in working order (i.e., fully charged, etc.).

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2025**Finding**

591-1-1-.36(4)(f)1. requires that all transported children be secured in a child passenger restraining system or seat safety belt in accordance with current state and federal laws and regulations and according to manufacturer's directions. It was determined based on observation that the child passenger restraining system or seat safety belts were not in accordance with current state and federal laws and regulations and according to manufacturer's directions.

Correction Deadline: 10/10/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center. It was determined based on a review of records that one of one check marks was missing to account for children unloading the vehicle on October 2, 2025 for the route from Redan Elementary to Wings of a Dove Preparatory Academy. It was further determined based on a review of records that one of one check marks was missing to account for children unloading the vehicle on October 2, 2025 for the route from Marbut Elementary School to Wings of a Dove Preparatory Academy.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2025

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 17

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 13

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 17

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/30/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2025

Corrected on 10/6/2025

.09(1)(a) - The previous citation was corrected as criminal records checks were observed complete.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2025

Corrected on 10/6/2025

.09(1)(c) - The previous citation was corrected as criminal records checks were observed complete.

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 of records that Staff # 14 hired on August 1, 2025, did not complete the pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in pediatric first aid within the first 45 days of employment.

Correction Deadline: 11/6/2025

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Defer****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.33(4) - Please ensure that within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage.

Correction Deadline: 11/5/2025

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)-Evaluation of the previous citation was deferred on this date to the next regulatory visit.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(5)(a) - Discussed that effective July 1, 2025, all staff are required to obtain at least two hours in evidence based, developmentally appropriate language and literacy practices and at least two hours in on-going child development and health and safety related topics as part of their 10 hours of annual training.

Correction Deadline: 11/5/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.33(6) - Discussed that all Employees, including volunteers, independent contractors, students-in-training, etc. should have a completed initial program orientation form on file.

Correction Deadline: 10/16/2025

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2. - Please ensure teachers and lead caregivers meet minimum academic requirements and qualifying experience at the time of employment.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2025

Staffing and Supervision**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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 classroom I was not seated within an arm's length away from children 36 months of age and younger during lunch time.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2025