



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/15/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:00 AM **Departure:** 2:10 PM

CCLC-15173

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Quality Rated: No

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.
09/15/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/15/2025	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
05/13/2025	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	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
Infant Cottage	Infant- Butterfly	Infants	3	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Nap
Infant Cottage	Room 15	Infants and One Year Olds	3	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Infant Cottage	Room 17	Infants	2	5	C	7	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Lunch
Infant Cottage	Room16		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 41			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	Room 1	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	4	15	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room 10	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	3	11	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room 11		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room 12	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room 13	Three Year Olds	2	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Room 14		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room 2	One Year Olds	3	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room 3	One Year Olds	4	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room 4		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room 5	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Room 6	Two Year Olds	2	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch,TV,Transitioning

Main	Room 7	Four Year Olds	2	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room 9	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	9	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 168					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 117					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 209					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Infant Cottage	Cottage Playground	8	C
Main	A: Upper Preschool	67	C
Main	B: Lower Infant	6	C
Main	C: Lower Toddler	7	C
Main	D: Older Toddler	19	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
34	25	31	29	19	1	0

Comments

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a licensing study. The CCS Consultant 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: 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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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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Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.03(2) - Consultant discussed lesson plan with Provider.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025

Comment

Age-appropriate activities observed throughout the center.

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.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.08(2) - Consultant discussed immunization with the Provider.

Correction Deadline: 9/25/2025

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.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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 in Classroom #5 an orange pumpkin carving tool was underneath the sink in a clear container accessible to children.

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: 9/15/2025

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

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Comment

Trees located on the site or that encroach onto the site from adjacent properties may have structural issues that present an elevated level of risk. Consider having these trees inspected by a certified arborist to determine their structural integrity and associated levels of risk.

Food Service**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

Comment

Please ensure that bottles are covered and fully labeled with child's full name.

Comment

Please ensure that infant feeding forms are updated regularly.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized 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****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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

Program observed complete emergency drills

Safety**591-1-1-.05 Animals****N/A****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 5/13/2025****Corrected on 9/15/2025****.11(2) - The previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed appropriate interaction between staff and children 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**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 - Consultant discussed crib sheet with the Provider.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025**Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 26****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/29/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.09-Criminal Records Check Missing

Staff # 16

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/15/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.09-Criminal Records Check Missing

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Director provided six files for employees hired since last visit.

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(j) requires that for portability for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training, only the most recently issued determination letter is eligible for portability and must be ported electronically. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. It was determined based on review of staff records that Staff # 3 with a hire date of August 29, 2025, and Staff #27 with a hire date of August 15, 2025, was not ported to the current provider. Staff # 3 was in Classroom #15 engaging with children and supervised by staff with a satisfactory CRC. Staff #27 was in Classroom #5 engaging with children and supervised by staff with a satisfactory CRC.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will ensure that only the most recently issued determination letter is electronically ported for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2025

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)	Met
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Comment

Director provided six files for employees hired since last visit.

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

Evidence observed of 50% of center Staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training	Met
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Comment

Discussed staff training. Please obtain required documentation.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.