



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/16/2026 VisitType: Incident Investigation & Follow Up Arrival: 10:05 AM Departure: 2:00 PM

CCLC-38222

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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.
07/16/2026	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
06/17/2026	TA Follow Up	NA	
05/14/2026	TA Follow Up	NA	

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	105		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	106	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	107 (Purple Room)	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	21	C	38	C	53	C	Nap
Main	115	Infants	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	116	One Year Olds	1	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	117	Infants	1	6	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	118		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	119	One Year Olds	1	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	120	One Year Olds	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	121	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	122		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	123	Two Year Olds	1	15	NC	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	124		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Culinary Room		0	0	C	24	C	34	C	Not In Use
Main	Gym		0	0	C	50	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	STEM	Six Year Olds and Over	2	12	C	24	C	34	C	Nap

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 332

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 367

Total # Children this Date: 107

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	10	C
Main	B	16	C

Main	C	26	C
Main	D	73	C

Comments

The investigative findings were not concluded on this date. The investigation remains open pending additional information. Upon completion, the findings will be reviewed with the child care program and a final copy of the report will be sent

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.dec.state.ga.us/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.state.ga.us/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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Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2026

Corrected on 7/16/2026

.25(3)- The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed protective covering over the areas of peeling paint on the walls in the center classroom. No hazardous conditions related to the peeling paint were observed to be accessible to children in care.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.32(1) requires the Center to maintain the required Staff:child ratios as follows: under 1 year or under 18 months if not walking = 1:6; 1 year and walking = 1:8; 2 years = 1:10; 3 years = 1:15; 4 years = 1:18; 5 years = 1:20; and 6 years and older = 1:25. A Center must establish groupings of children for care with maximum group sizes as follows: under 1 year = 12; under 18 months/not walking = 12; 1 year and walking = 16; 2 years = 20; 3 years = 30; 4 years = 36; 5 years = 40; and 6 years and older = 50. It was determined based on an observation that during naptime a staff-to-child ratio of 1:14 was present in a 2-year-old classroom, when maintaining a ratio of 2::14 was required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hire additional Staff or reschedule current Staff to meet required Staff:child ratios and will organize children into groups that meet requirements.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2026