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Date: 9/19/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 8:30 AM **Departure:** 2:15 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.
09/19/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/30/2025	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
04/10/2025	Incident Investigation Closure	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	A-#111-Pre K 1-Lower Level	GA PreK	2	13	C	26	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	B- #114 Pre K 2-Lower Level	GA PreK	2	13	C	25	C	NA	NA	Story, Transitioning
Main	D-#126-Preschool 1-Lower Level	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	24	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E-#129-Preschool 2-Lower Level	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	C	24	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	F-#133-Pre K 3-Lower Level	GA PreK	2	16	C	24	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	G-#136-Preschool 3-Lower Level	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	13	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	H-#137-Early Preschool 1-Lower Level	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	I-#139-Early Preschool 2-Lower Level	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	12	NC	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	J-#142-Early Preschool 3-Lower Level	Two Year Olds	3	11	C	17	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	K-#144-Early Preschool 4-Lower Level	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	15	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	L-#208-Toddler 1-Upper Level	One Year Olds	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside

Main	M-#211-Toddler 2-Upper Level	One Year Olds	1	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	N-#212-Toddler 3-Upper Level	One Year Olds	1	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	O-#214-Toddler 4-Upper Level	One Year Olds	2	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Outside
Main	P-#215-Toddler 5-Upper Level	One Year Olds	2	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	S-#228-Infants & 1's-Upper Level	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	24	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Snack
Main	T-#234-Infants & 1's-Upper Level	One Year Olds	2	5	C	23	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	U-#246-Infant 1-Upper Level	Infants	1	4	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap,Diapering
Main	V-#251-Infant 2-Upper Level	Infants and One Year Olds	2	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap
Main	W- #256-Infant 3-Upper Level	Infants and One Year Olds	2	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Free Play
Main	X-#258-Infant 4-Upper Level	Infants	1	4	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Feeding
Main	Y-#264-Infant 5-Upper Level	Infants	1	3	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 405

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 199

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A- Infant Toddler	42	C
Main	Playground B- 3-5 year	74	C
Main	Playground C- Basketball Court	8	C
Main	Playground D	69	C
Main	Playground E-Water Park	14	C
Main	Playground F -Infant - Upper Level	6	C
Main	Playground G-Patio- Upper Level	4	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
51	52	55	49	46	1	0

Comments

Discussed rules changes effective July 1, 2025.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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 user id 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!



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.

Comment

Discussed rotating toys to support the procedures of daily disinfecting.

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.

Children's Records

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

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

The Center appeared clean and well maintained on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Discussed keeping potentially hazardous materials inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2025

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair on this date.

Food Service

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

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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

Kitchen appears clean and well organized on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Please ensure lids remain on trash containing organic waste.

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center on this date.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed completed on this date.

Policies and Procedures

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

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting	Met
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Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals	Met
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

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

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)	N/A
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Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	N/A
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Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)2 - Discussed that the crib mattresses need to be covered with washable water-proof material.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2025

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 - Discussed replacing the mats that have tears.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2025

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)**Met****Comment**

Evidence observed of 100% of center Staff certified in First Aid and CPR containing emergency care for infants and children on this date.

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

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