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Date: 4/16/2026 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 4:30 PM

CCLC-35253

Childcare Network #210

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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.
04/16/2026	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Support	
03/10/2026	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
03/04/2026	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
Main	A 1st Left		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	B 2nd Left	One Year Olds	1	3	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C 3rd Left		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	D 4th Left		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	E 5th Left	GA PreK	2	14	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	F 6th Left		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Main	G 1st Right		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	H 2nd Right	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	I 3rd Right		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	J 4th Right	Three Year Olds	2	9	C	20	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	K 5th Right	GA PreK	2	13	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	L 6th Right	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	12	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 223

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 56

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 223

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	D Left Front	17	C
Main	A front right	12	C
Main	B Right Rear	133	C
Main	C Left	220	C

Comments

04-16-26: The purpose of today's visit was to conduct an investigative site visit and follow up on previous citations.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 04/30/2026



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.al.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

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-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that there was tree leaning against the right side of the chain-link fence, causing the fence to collapse on Playground C.

Correction Deadline: 4/16/2026

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 there was a red tricycle and a blue ship that had chipping paint and exposed rust on Playground A. It was further determined that there was a red fire engine and yellow school bus that had chipping paint and exposed rust on Playground C.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2026

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were accessible to children:

Playground A:

- There was a broken piece of brick on the sidewalk.
- A broken rodent bait station.

Playground B:

- There were exposed tree roots what were not painted.
- Debris and litter near the chain link fence on the right side of the playground.

Playground C:

- There were sticks and pine cones throughout the playground.
- Exposed concrete rocks and stones.
- Litter such as plastic bags throughout the playground.
- There was a metal rod on the far right side of the playground.

Correction Deadline: 5/16/2026

Recited on 4/16/2026

Staff Records	
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Records Reviewed: 15

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4

Staff # 1 Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/12/2026

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

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

Staff # 8 Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/31/2026

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

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

Staff # 11 Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/26/2026

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

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

Staff # 12 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Finding

591-1-1-.14(2)(b) requires that there must always be one staff person present in each classroom where children are present that has current and valid pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and pediatric first aid training. It was determined based on a review of records that the following classrooms did not have a staff member with a current first aid/CPR certification as required:

- Classroom B/2nd Left: One staff member present (Staff #8) with no current first aid/CPR certification.
- Classroom H/2nd Right: One staff member present (Staff #1) with no current first aid/CPR certification.
- Classroom 4th Right: Two staff members present (Staff #11 and Staff #12) with no current first aid/CPR certification.

Correction Deadline: 4/29/2026

Recited on 4/16/2026

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/10/2026

Corrected on 4/16/2026

.32(4)(a) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. During the walk through, the Consultant observed that all classrooms were within ratio regarding age and number of children present.