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Date: 9/9/2025 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 11:30 AM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

CCLC-63581

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>		
09/09/2025	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
07/24/2024	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing

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.

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 Right Infants - Orange	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	15	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play
Main	B-1's-2nd Right- Yellow		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C - 2's-2nd left- Red	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	17	C	21	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Story
Main	D -1st Left- 3's Green	GA PreK	2	17	C	23	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	E - 4's -3rd Right Blue	Three Year Olds	1	9	C	29	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	F- School Age- 3rd Left		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 118			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 48			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 118			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back Playground	72	C
Main	Playground Left side	20	C
Main	Playground Right side	36	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
4	7	16	12	23	0	30

Comments

The 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. The Consultant also discussed 2025 updates made to the CCLC Rules and Regulations.

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.al.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!



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) N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.08(1) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that five of five children's records had Parents' work telephone numbers on file as required.

Facility

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) Met

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2023

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that potentially hazardous equipment, materials, and supplies were stored in a locked area inaccessible to children as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/23/2024

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.25(6) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed the cubbies used for the children's personal storage in classroom Main C - 2's-2nd left- Red and classroom Main D - 1st Left- 3's Green were accessible and within the children's reach as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2024

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.26(4) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed the fencing material had no gaps present that exceeded 3.5 inches as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2024

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.26(6) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed the playground equipment was well-maintained and free of hazards as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2024

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.26(8) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that resilient surfacing in the fall zone areas was maintained at the required depth.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2024

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.26(9) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed the playground areas were clean, free from litter and free of hazards as required.

Health and Hygiene

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.10(1) requires Centers first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that are renovated after March 1, 1991, to provide ventilation in the diapering areas with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open. It was determined based on observation that classrooms Main A- 1st Right Infants - Orange, Main B- 1's-2nd Right- Yellow, and Main C - 2's-2nd left- Red did not have the required operable window space for ventilation. The measurements of operable window space for ventilation were as follows:

- Classroom A: 7.25 square feet of operable window space, where 15.34 square feet was required.
- Classroom B: 7.25 square feet of operable window space, where 12.63 square feet was required.
- Classroom C: 10.88 square feet of operable window space, where 19.38 square feet was required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The responsible person(s) at the center will ensure that the exhaust fans and duct systems are functioning in each diapering area, or the required amount of operable window space for ventilation is provided.

Correction Deadline: 10/14/2025

Recited on 9/9/2025

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2024

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.10(4) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed all diaper changing surfaces were equipped with a guard and/or a rail to prevent falls as required.

Correction Deadline: 7/24/2024

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.10(9) - Previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed the diapering areas were clear of food and/or food preparation items as required.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation that the staff member in Classroom Main A – 1st Right Infants – Orange did not wash the hands of two infants before or after diapering them.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on required handwashing for children and Staff will ensure children's hands are washed when required. The Director will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2025

Finding

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined based on observation that the staff member in classroom Main A - 1st Right Infants - Orange did not wash their hands before or after diapering two infants as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2025

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2023

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.21(1)(p) - Previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed a written plan for handling emergencies on file as required.

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

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

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met**

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2023

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.36(3)(a-b) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that the Director and all staff who participated in transportation had the two (2) hours of state-approved transportation training on file as required.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.33(3)(a)-(k) - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that health and safety orientation training was on file for qualifying staff as required.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/25/2023

Corrected on 9/9/2025

.31(2)(b)2. - The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The Consultant observed that the lead teacher credential requirements were met for qualifying staff as required.

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.