



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/26/2026 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:30 AM **Departure:** 4:30 PM

CCLC-65605

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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.
03/26/2026	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/10/2025	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing	
12/10/2025	Incident Investigation Closure	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-1L/100 6wks-12mth	Infants	2	9	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding,Lu nch,Floor Play
Main	B-2L/150-6wks-12mths	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	C-3L/200-1's	One Year Olds	2	11	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	D-4L/250-2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	12	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	E-1M/300-2's	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	30	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	F-2M/350-3's	Two Year Olds	3	14	C	26	C	37	C	Lunch
Main	G-3M/400-3's	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	26	C	37	C	Transitioning,Na p
Main	H-4M/450-3+4's	Three Year Olds	2	13	C	26	C	37	C	Transitioning
Main	I-5M/500-4's	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	19	C	26	C	37	C	Transitioning,Lu nch,Nap
Main	J-5M/550-4's	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	19	C	26	C	37	C	Transitioning
Main	K-BR/5+up afterschool		0	0	C	70	C	98	C	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 307						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 410				
Total # Children this Date: 131						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 410				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A /Left	20	C

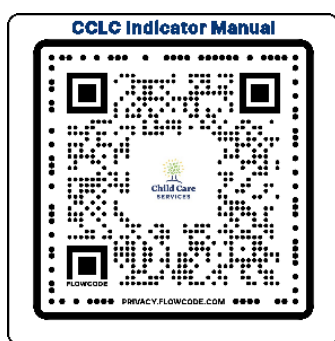
Main	Playground B/Back Left	44	C
Main	Playground C/Middle	46	C
Main	Playground D/Back right	55	C
Main	Splash Pad/Special Use/Right	16	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
19	26	33	49	16	10	0

Comments

A copy of this report was provided on this date.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed



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.decal.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.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

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.decal.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined that in Room C-3L/200-1's there was a blue child sized couch that was torn on the right armrest. Additionally, in Room E-1M/300-2's and Room H-4M/450-3+4's there were child sized blue couches that were torn on the both armrest sides.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture that is present is in good repair and remove the torn couches and chairs.

Correction Deadline: 3/26/2026

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(6) - Please ensure that an adequate amount of toys and play materials are available for the amount of children in the room, stored on low, open shelves and accessible to children

Correction Deadline: 4/25/2026

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that in Room G-3M/400-3's the exhaust vent in the second bathroom was covered with dust. Additionally, In Room J-5M/550-4's the exhaust vent in the first bathroom is covered with dust

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 3/27/2026

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

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

Health and Hygiene**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health****Met**

Correction Deadline: 12/10/2025

Corrected on 3/26/2026

.07(2) - The following citation has been corrected. Staff have been trained on when to notify Parents when a child is sick or injured.

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

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands on this date.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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)**N/A****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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.

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(7) - Please ensure the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are and providing watchful oversight to the children while transitioning from lunch to naptime.

Correction Deadline: 3/26/2026