



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 6/9/2022      **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up      **Arrival:** 9:00 AM      **Departure:** 12:50 PM

**CCLC-38836**

**The Goddard School Decatur**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
06/09/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing
02/22/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/15/2021	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- First Floor - 6wk - 12mth	Infants	2	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B- First Floor- 6wk - 12mth	Infants	2	4	C	14	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C First Floor - 6wk - 18mth	One Year Olds	1	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D- First Floor - 6wk - 18mth	One Year Olds	1	5	C	11	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E- First Floor- 18 - 24 mths	One Year Olds	2	13	C	12	NC	NA	NA	Centers
Main	F- First Floor- 18 - 24mths	One Year Olds	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G- First Floor- 24 - 30 mths	One Year Olds	3	9	C	17	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	H- First Floor- 30 - 35mth	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	J- Second Floor	GA PreK	2	10	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	K- second floor	Five Year Olds	1	9	C	25	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	L -second floor- 24 - 35mth	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	3	C	21	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	M- second floor	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	27	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	N-second floor	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	24	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:						229				
Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:						0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Left	63	C
Main	B- Back infant/toddler	24	C

**Comments**

A on-site complaint/incident investigation was conducted on June 9, 2022. Investigative findings were not concluded on June 9, 2022. Investigative findings were concluded on June 27, 2022. Background checks were all reviewed on June 9, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/09/2022

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



**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](mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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](http://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.'





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**Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

**Activities and Equipment**

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

**Comment**

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

**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.

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

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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**Staff Records**

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**Records Reviewed: 33****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 01/07/2022	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 09/07/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 01/10/2022	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 02/21/2022	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 01/17/2022	
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 02/21/2019	
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 11/11/2019	
Staff # 13	Met

Date of Hire: 07/22/2020

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 09/16/2021

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 06/05/2018

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 08/24/2018

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 02/21/2019

Staff # 18 Met

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 01/25/2022

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 10/19/2020

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 01/25/2022

Staff # 22 Met

Date of Hire: 07/12/2021

Staff # 23 Met

Staff # 24 Met

Date of Hire: 01/31/2022

Staff # 25 Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2022

Staff # 26 Met

Date of Hire: 01/27/2020

Staff # 27 Met

Date of Hire: 06/03/2019

Staff # 28 Met

Staff # 29 Met

Date of Hire: 08/06/2021

**Records Reviewed: 33**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 30	Met
Staff # 31	Met
Date of Hire: 02/07/2022	
Staff # 32	Met
Staff # 33	Met
Date of Hire: 01/14/2019	

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 11**

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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training** **Met**

**Correction Deadline: 3/24/2022**

**Corrected on 6/9/2022**

**.33(3) - Citation observed corrected on this date. It was determined based on a review of documentation that staff completed Health and Safety Orientation training within the first 90 days of employment as required.**

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.