



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 3/16/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 10:15 AM **Departure:** 11:30 AM

**CCLC-47196**

**Coastal Cathedral Early Education Center**

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**Quality Rated:**

| <b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> |                                    |               | <b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.<br><br><b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.<br><b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.<br><b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|--|
| 03/16/2022                         | Licensing Study                    | Good Standing |  |
| 12/15/2021                         | Incident Investigation Closure     | Good Standing |  |
| 11/09/2021                         | Incident Investigation & Follow Up | 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    | Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds  | 1     | 9        | C    | 11         | C            | NA         | NA           | Free Play                |
| Main     | B    | Two Year Olds                      | 1     | 8        | C    | 10         | C            | NA         | NA           | Outside, Transitioning   |
| Main     | C    | Two Year Olds                      | 1     | 8        | C    | 9          | C            | NA         | NA           | Outside                  |
| Main     | D    | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 2     | 16       | C    | 23         | C            | NA         | NA           | Free Play                |
| Main     | E    | Infants                            | 1     | 6        | C    | 7          | C            | NA         | NA           | Floor Play, Nap          |
| Main     | F    | Infants and One Year Olds          | 1     | 5        | C    | 7          | C            | NA         | NA           | Feeding, Free Play       |
| Main     | G    | One Year Olds                      | 2     | 7        | C    | 7          | C            | NA         | NA           | Free Play                |
| Main     | H    |                                    | 0     | 0        | C    | 7          | C            | NA         | NA           |                          |
| Main     | I    | One Year Olds and Two Year Olds    | 2     | 11       | C    | 15         | C            | NA         | NA           | Transitioning, Free Play |
| Main     | J    | Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds  | 1     | 15       | C    | 49         | C            | NA         | NA           | Free Play                |

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 145

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 85

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 145

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main     | A          | 42                   | C                     |

**Comments**

This was the second visit of the fiscal year. Program does not provide transportation or swimming.

A one-day letter was left on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/16/2022

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.'

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)

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DaChanna Carter, Program Official

Date

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Kimberly Stoy, Consultant

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### Findings 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.

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

**N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

### Children's Records

**Records Reviewed: 5**

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

|           |     |
|-----------|-----|
| Child # 1 | Met |
| Child # 2 | Met |
| Child # 3 | Met |
| Child # 4 | Met |
| Child # 5 | Met |

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facility**

**591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be met on this date.

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

**Comment**

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)** **Not Evaluated**

**Comment**

Playground not observed on this date due to inclement weather.

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

**Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

**Comment**

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

**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**

**Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Staff Records**

**Records Reviewed: 20**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1 Met  
Date of Hire: 10/25/2021

Staff # 2 Met  
Date of Hire: 03/16/2020

**Records Reviewed: 20**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

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|--|---------|
| Staff # 3                              | Met     |
| Staff # 4                              | Met     |
| Staff # 5                              | Met     |
| Staff # 6                              | Met     |
| Date of Hire: 04/23/2018               |         |
| Staff # 7                              | Met     |
| Date of Hire: 10/20/2021               |         |
| Staff # 8                              | Met     |
| Staff # 9                              | Met     |
| Staff # 10                             | Met     |
| Date of Hire: 01/11/2021               |         |
| Staff # 11                             | Met     |
| Staff # 12                             | Not Met |
| <u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> |         |
| .09-Criminal Records Check Missing     |         |
| Staff # 13                             | Met     |
| Staff # 14                             | Met     |
| Staff # 15                             | Met     |
| Date of Hire: 09/27/2021               |         |
| Staff # 16                             | Met     |
| Date of Hire: 10/25/2021               |         |
| Staff # 17                             | Met     |
| Staff # 18                             | Met     |
| Staff # 19                             | Met     |
| Date of Hire: 03/16/2020               |         |
| Staff # 20                             | Met     |
| Date of Hire: 10/25/2021               |         |

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3**

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**Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires that a Center ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on a review of records and staff statements that staff #12 was employed as a substitute at the program and was present at the center prior submitting both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site as required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

**Correction Deadline: 3/16/2022****Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on a review of records and staff statements that staff #12 was employed as a substitute at the program and was present at the center prior to receiving a current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination.

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**Correction Deadline: 3/16/2022**

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

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

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