

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Monitoring Inspection

Pursuant to section 21 of the *Early Childhood Services Act*, operators of licensed early learning and childcare facilities must post their most recent inspection report in a clearly visible and prominent place in the facility.

Name of Operator Little Miracles 2 Daycare Inc.		Inspection Date August 05, 2026
Facility Name Little Miracles 2 Daycare		Licence Number 2024148
Address 9286 Main Street Richibucto NB E4W 4C7		Telephone Number (506) 523-7585
Type of Facility Full-time Early Learning and Childcare Centre	Maximum Number of Children 46	Ages of Children INFANTS PRESCHOOL SCHOOL-AGE
ELCC Licensing Staff Roxanne Benoit	Position Title Inspector	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
11(c)(ii) The qualifications and training requirements for administrators and educators are as follows: (c) at a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre, (ii) on and after July 1, 2020, (A) at least 50% of educators must hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate or training that is equivalent in the opinion of the Minister, and (B) an administrator must hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate or training that is equivalent in the opinion of the Minister.	11(c)(ii)	Jun 30, 2027	
Comments: The inspector noted that the facility did not meet the requirement of at least 50% of educators holding a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate or equivalent. The administrator confirmed that one staff member is currently enrolled and scheduled to begin the program in September 2026.			
21 The daily activities of a licensed facility shall be purposely planned in advance and documented and shall respond to the capabilities, needs and interests of each child and shall include (c) opportunities (vii) to develop trusting, respectful and supportive relationships with educators and children.	21(c)(vii)	Jun 08, 2026	Aug 05, 2026
Comments: During the inspection, the inspector observed supportive interventions between staff members and children such as involving children by giving them responsibility (a child asked to sweep the floors) redirecting negative energy (an educator distracted two children in the sandbox from). Deficiency is now compliant.			
49(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that the guidance of the children receiving services at the licensed facility is positive and includes positive reinforcement, encouraging efforts and recognizing accomplishments.	49(1)	Jun 08, 2026	

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Comments: The inspector observed that school-age children were required to remain on their cots for a 30-minute period without talking and without access to toys or other quiet activities. When children had toys on their cots before the completion of the 30-minute period, staff removed the toys. The inspector also observed a school-age child attempting to help an educator during preschool rest time by gently patting a preschool child's back and singing songs. Staff instructed the school-age child to return to her cot immediately. As a result, the preschool child did not fall asleep. The manager informed the administrator that school-age children are not required to participate in a mandatory 30-minute rest period or remain on their cots and that, as it was 12:45 p.m., they could engage in quiet play activities. The administrator disagreed, stating that the 30-minute period had not yet elapsed and that school-age children were required to nap for 30 minutes. The inspector explained that school-age children must not be required to remain on a cot during rest time and that children who do not sleep are not required to rest but may engage in quiet play. Children who are not resting may leave their cots and participate in quiet activities with other non-resting children. A separate space is available for children who do not nap to ensure they do not disturb those who are resting. The inspector further advised that, where appropriate and under staff supervision, school-age children who wish to assist educators in supporting preschool children during rest time may be permitted to do so, as this can foster positive and supportive relationships. The administrator indicated that she believed the regulatory requirements regarding rest periods applied to all children and stated that the daily routine would be revised accordingly going forward.			
49(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that no child receiving services at the licensed facility is subjected to any form of physical punishment or verbal or emotional abuse or is denied physical necessities.	49(2)	Jun 08, 2026	
Comments: During nap time, a preschool child who was potty training asked an educator to go use the washroom. The educator advised that the child had already used the washroom and instructed the child to lay down. It is important to take the time to understand the child's messages (cues) and to respond to them with encouragement, praise, comfort and independence as needed.			

General Comments
The inspector and manager were on site to conduct a follow-up monitoring inspection. The inspector observed children engaged in free play both indoors and outdoors, as well as participating in a painting activity at a table. The inspector observed the children wearing a helmet while riding bicycles in the outdoor play. During the inspection, the inspector observed children have been outdoors for more than 1 hour during a period of high temperature. Several children had red cheeks, and were not drinking water, although their water bottles were available outside. The inspector asked an educator whether it would be appropriate for the children to go indoors. The educator responded that she was not responsible for making that decision and needed to wait for directions before bringing the children inside. The inspector brought the concern to the administrator's attention, after which the children were taken indoors. The inspector emphasized the importance of maintaining flexibility in daily routines and adapting activities and schedules in response to environmental conditions and the needs of the children. The inspector also recommended that educators regularly encourage and invite children to drink water throughout outdoor play periods to support adequate hydration. The inspector will contact the Early Learning Consultant to come offer support to the facility with routine and transition. The ratio was respected during the visit.

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Roxanne Benoit

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

August 20, 2026

Date

original signed by
Christine Arsenault

August 20, 2026

Signature of Operator/Designated staff

Date

"I hereby acknowledge receipt of this report"