

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 YMCA of Southwestern New Brunswick Inc.	Licence Number 283038	Inspection Date December 09, 2024	
Facility Name YMCA - St. Mark's - ASP 1		Telephone Number (506) 271-1754	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Britta Garnett		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
24(1) For the purposes of subsection 20(1) of the Act, the following records and documents shall be maintained on the premises of a licensed facility: (c) staff member records that include (iv) a signed declaration confirming that the staff member has read and understood his or her obligations under the Act and this Regulation.	24(1)(c)(iv)	Nov 12, 2024	Dec 09, 2024
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	Jan 13, 2025	
Comments: Room #5: Two hooks in poor repair. To be removed and replaced.			
32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (a) varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	32(1)(a)	Jan 13, 2025	
Comments: Room 2, 3 & 4: Sensory opportunities lacking within environments. QA Monitor left challenge with staff to add sensory opportunities to the environments each day. Examples of items to add, but not limited to water, sand, rice, slime, playdough, etc. Discussed creating premade sensory bins that are easy for educators to grab and add to their rooms. Previous comply by date - Oct 21, 2024, and Nov 18, 2024. Room #5 has added materials for dramatic play and sensory opportunities, since last inspection.			
33(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide outdoor play area materials and equipment that are varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	33(1)	Jan 13, 2025	
Comments: Outdoor play materials not accessible to children during outdoor play. Examples of materials to include, but are not limited to balls, pots, pans, utensils, bowls, pylons, small vehicles, plants, art materials, clipboards, rulers, books, loose parts, tools, nets, magnifying glasses, containers (for bug catching/dumping/pouring), water play materials, mark making materials and materials that support the children's interests. Previous comply by date Sept 3, 2024, Oct 21, 2024, and Nov 18, 2024.			

General Comments

Monitoring Inspection:

Children and educators observed engaged in a variety of activities this afternoon including drawing, open ended art, board games, dramatic play, outdoor play, small world play, and some children were relaxing in the cozy area. Each environment is set-up with a variety of invitations for the children to explore when they arrive from school. Purposeful planning is evident through documentation on weekly planning sheets, invitations and materials added to the environments that support the children's current interests (hair salon, science, Lego, cars, nail salon, and careers). Documentation and photos are displayed throughout the rooms for children to revisit their experiences. Room #4 has added a binder with photos and documentation to their cozy area.

The children in Room #2 have been exploring different careers, they have visitors scheduled to speak to the children over the coming weeks. Today they had two Hair Stylists in to visit and talk about their careers.

Materials for outdoor play and sensory opportunities must be purchased for the after-school program as orders for compliance have been outstanding for multiple Monitoring Inspections.

QA Monitor discussed the proper use of hair accessories when children are playing "Hair Salon". Ensure each child has separate brushes/combs and hair accessories that are labelled and stored in separate bags/containers.

Bananas and crackers were served for snack this afternoon.

Monthly fire drills are documented.

Handwashing routines were observed at arrival and before snack.

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Britta Garnett

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

December 09, 2024

Date

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K. Duplessis

Signature of Operator/Designate

December 09, 2024

Date