

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Renewal 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 The Preschool Centre Inc.	Licence Number 508114	Inspection Date April 04, 2022	
Facility Name The Preschool Centre on Clark Street		Telephone Number (506) 458-8981	
Address 125 Clark Street Fredericton NB E3A 2W8			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sabrina Diotte		Position Title Inspector	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
12(3) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that a criminal record check or a vulnerable sector check, as the case may, and a check with the Department of Social Development is conducted on each staff member and associated person at least every five years.	12(3)	Apr 04, 2022	Apr 04, 2022
Comments: All staff, before commencing their employment, must have a criminal record check in their file. One staff was missing their criminal record check, she went home to retrieve it and it was provided to the inspector before departure.			
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 (iii) a description of the staff member's duties and responsibilities.	24(1)(c)(iii)	Apr 18, 2022	
Comments: There is no description of duties and responsibilities in the staff files.			
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Apr 18, 2022	
Comments: Now that the snow is melted, the playground needs an overall clean up. Please remove all broken toys, metal toys that are rusted, garbage, cardboard boxes etc. There is also a large gray bin under the stairs in the big playground that has items not meant for children and the children were trying to reach those items. I would ask that the bin be removed from the playground and stored elsewhere where the children cannot access it.			
33(2) Stationary equipment in the outdoor play area shall be surrounded by a protective surfacing and installed according to the manufacturer's instructions.	33(2)	Apr 18, 2022	
Comments: The blue round swing in the small playground needs 30 cm's of protective surfacing. There are also two small swings under the deck, those swings also need 30 cm's of protective surfacing and the little wood fence under the swings must be removed as it can be a hazard if children fall off the swing. The round swings in the larger playground also need 30 cm's of protective surfacing.			
39(2) A licensed facility shall have a separate locked storage space that is inaccessible to the children for each of the following: (a) toxic products, chemical products and cleaning supplies;	39(2)(a)	Apr 04, 2022	
Comments: There is a can of Lysol spray on the top of a cabinet in the 2-year-old room. Toxic products must be locked by key.			

General Comments

When I arrived all the classrooms were getting ready to go outside. The children played outside until 11 am. When they came in from outside, they played with some toys and read some books before lunch was served at 11:30. After lunch, the children had a nap/quiet time.

Many of the classrooms were newly painted and reorganized. The lighter more neutral colors make the rooms appear brighter and allow the children's arts and crafts projects to stand out more. All the other learning materials on the wall are also more visible.

The staff is polite and respectful towards the children. Lots of positive child guidance observed such as gentle reminders, encouragements, and celebration of achievements. The staff were attentive and engaged with the children.

We would ask that all mop and mop buckets be removed from the bathrooms and classrooms because they contain bacteria and should not be at reach of children. They should be stored in a closet or utility room.

There is what appears to be black mold growing on the window in the upstairs bathroom. I would ask that this be inspected, and the mold removed.

In the infant room in the basement, there is a roll of wallpaper hanging on top of the curtain rode. I would ask that this be removed as it could fall on a child.

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Sabrina Diotte

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

April 04, 2022

Date

original signed by
Kayla Joncas

Signature of Operator/Designate

April 04, 2022

Date