



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 Sunbury West Headstart Inc.	Licence Number 2000671	Inspection Date October 22, 2024	
Facility Name Sunbury West Headstart		Telephone Number (506) 368-2900	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Tanya Gaudet		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected

General Comments

Licensing staff arrived at the licensed facility, to conduct a license renewal inspection, while the children were playing outside in the morning. The dropping off of children is done outside on the operating days of the preschool program.

After outdoor play time, the children went indoors to wash up for preplanned activities. The educators provided three invitations of play for the children to engage with once they washed their hands. One activity was a colouring and letter recognition activity. The second activity was a "bug" loose parts activity which consisted of plastic bugs (spiders, ants, lady bugs, pinch bugs, centipedes, grasshoppers just to name a few). This activity also included a pair of tweezers, and small rectangular pieces of paper labelled with the following: head, body, segment, and abdomen. The third invitation of play consisted of a "Fall" loose parts activity. This activity included fabric leaves, sticks, acorns and pinecones. Along with tweezers and a small bowl that looked like a large cupcake filter used for baking. The children engaged with this activity as a dramatic play activity as the children were pretending that the contents was a "fruit salad."

While licensing staff was speaking with the educators about their lovely invitations of play, one educator relayed to licensing staff that currently they are doing a special activity that carries through the Fall and into Spring. This activity is called a "Pumpkin Jack" activity. This involves a small pumpkin that is carved into a "jack-o-lantern" and placed into a clear plastic container and over time, the pumpkin decomposes. During the decomposition process the children and educators record what they see. Once the decomposition process is complete the educators and children bury the decomposed pumpkin in the ground and in the Spring, they take note if the pumpkin starts to grow into a plant and hopefully produces another pumpkin plant.

Licensing staff only observed positive child guidance during the inspection visit.

All files were complete and very organized.

Licensing staff noted lots of handwashing occurring throughout the inspection visit.

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October 22, 2024

Tanya Gaudet

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

original signed by

Laurel Carr

Signature of Operator/Designate

October 22, 2024

Date