

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 Baby Steps Daycare Inc.	Licence Number 2010278	Inspection Date October 01, 2021	
Facility Name Baby Steps Daycare		Telephone Number (506) 357-5437	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Joanne Voyer Page		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
10(7) Despite subsection (1), infants shall not be grouped with children of another age group.	10(7)	Oct 01, 2021	
Comments: Please read comment below. Outdoor play must be arranged at different times.			
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.	21	Oct 15, 2021	
Comments: Please make children's learning visible in the classroom and have educators post documentation of children's recent learning experiences in each programming room at their eye level.			
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 (a) time and space for and a free choice of play experiences for exploration and discovery.	21(a)	Oct 15, 2021	
Comments: It is important for educators to set up programming areas in the classroom to encourage exploration of different kinds of materials.			
21 A licensee shall post the following documents in a clearly visible and prominent place in the facility associated with the licence: (a) the licence; (b) a report provided under section 23; (c) an order issued under section 28; and (d) a probationary license issued under section 29.	21(a) – (d)	Oct 15, 2021	
Comments: This was addressed during my last visit. Please post the most current annual inspection report for this service, including recent monitoring reports. The inspection report posted is for Kids Khan.			
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)	Oct 15, 2021	
Comments: Some programming rooms are meeting this requirement but other rooms need more toys, materials and equipment to meet the needs and interests of the children.			
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)	Oct 01, 2021	
Comments: This was addressed during my last 2 visits, however during today's visit children were playing on the climber. Please put up a barrier / rope off the climber/slide structure so children are not accessing until the protective surfacing has been maintained. The surfacing must be turned over to ensure proper depths are in place and meeting regulations.			

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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)	Oct 01, 2021	
Comments: Please always ensure toxic products are stored locked. Toxic products observed sitting on a shelf in the bathroom used by the children.			

<p>General Comments</p> <p>Follow up monitoring report.</p> <p>A separate attendance record/log sheet must be maintained in early morning and late afternoon which includes the full names of the educators. This is important to keep accurate records for contact tracing purposes. The administrator overseeing the operation of the facility should be made aware of changes to the Public Health guidelines for contact tracing and also be familiar with the changes to the guidelines for prevention and control of communicable diseases in ELC facilities that were updated in Sept 2021. This information must be passed onto your educators so they are made aware.</p> <p>Upon arrival, the babies, 2's, 3's were in the outdoor play space and a few children were digging in the garden bed. The 4 year age group were indoors. The boys were playing with trucks and the girls were coloring. The babies moved indoors upon my arrival. Babies and preschool age children are not to be mixed in the outdoor play area as per discussed in previous visits. As well, preschool age children were observed outside the fenced in playspace. It is recommended that educators schedule their time outdoors with their individual groups so all children can play in the fenced outdoor play area and set up appropriate activities to meet the needs and interests of each age group. Please extend indoor programming outside.</p> <p>It is important for educators to always use a positive tone when communicating expectations to the children. It is important keeping the children's developmental age in mind to use positive reinforcement and offer children choices and reflect with children when they have disagreements with their friends. This is better than saying 'stop', 'no', 'leave her alone' etc.</p> <p>Please keep child's lunch totes zipped between snacks and lunches to keep food cold.</p> <p>All children were observed going down for a nap during my visit. The 4/5 year olds were also observed in outdoor play. Most children benefit from a scheduled period of rest and this could take the form of a quiet time or a change of pace. The educator could build in a quiet activity time to give children an opportunity to play quietly for those children that do not nap.</p>
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Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

October 01, 2021

Date

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Robyn Payne

Signature of Operator/Designate

October 01, 2021

Date