

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 SERIOUS FUN CHILDCARE INC.	Licence Number 2011917	Inspection Date March 19, 2025	
Facility Name Serious Fun Childcare		Telephone Number (506) 999-7474	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Laura Casey		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected

General Comments

Upon Licensing staff arrival for the renewal inspection, children in the preschool age classrooms were doing tabletop morning activities. Some of the 3-year-old children were sitting at the tables using droppers for mixing paint with cooking oil for to rainbow colours, while others were digging with construction trucks in sand. The 4-year-old children were observed using colourful sensory sand with accessories. Educators were observed sitting with the children during the activities and were heard asking the children questions about the colours they were making and offering positive words of encouragement.

Each preschool age classroom was organized and tidy. Play material such as wooden blocks, cars, building tubes, play kitchens with accessories, books and puzzles were in good condition and easily accessible to all children. Positive words of affirmation as well as family photos, children's artwork and current learning stories were on display. Later in the morning, the children took turns using the washroom and proper handwashing was observed before getting ready to go outdoors to play. While waiting for friends, children chose books to read or played with puzzles. There was evidence of a daily routine as the transition from morning activities and outdoor time was smooth. Before leaving the classrooms, Educators were observed conducting headcounts and the first aid backpack was picked up.

Once outdoors, a second headcount was observed and the children from both preschool age classrooms played in the fenced in area. Children were observed playing in the sandbox with shovels, scoops, pipes, and trucks, as well as on tires, in a large pipe tunnel, jumping in puddles, and crunching up pieces of ice. Educators were actively engaged with the children and were heard asking questions about the sounds the ice made. As a reminder with the change in seasons, please ensure that all outdoor play material that has been stuck in the ice or snow is in good condition and that shade sails are ready for placement. Headcounts were once again observed before coming back indoors and Educators were heard singing and engaging in conversation with the children. Once indoors, wet outdoor clothing was hung up to dry and wet socks and pants were changed. During lunch, Educators sat with the children to eat and were observed assisting with lunch packages. Gentle reminders were heard to remain seated while eating.

After lunch, the tables were cleaned, the floors were swept, and the rooms were calm for nap/quiet time. Each classroom was calm and quiet activity bags were available for the 4-year-old classroom to choose from. As a

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reminder, please have a number of nap cots available should any of 4-year-old children choose to nap.

During nap/quiet time, the school age children arrived. The daily attendance for was completed and the children sat together to eat lunch. Gentle reminders were heard on staying seated while eating and independence was encouraged for cleaning up lunch boxes and food packages. After eating lunch, the classroom was cleaned, and the children prepared to go outdoors to play. The Educators divided the classroom into two smaller groups to proceed outdoors to cut back on the congestion in the hallway as some friends got ready quickly.

During inspection, staff and child files were completed. Allergy information as well as emergency evacuation information was visibly posted, and the parent board contained all required licensing documentation. Children's personal belongings were neatly organized on hooks and there was open communication between Educators throughout the day for ratio and break coverage.

Licensing staff recommends for renewal pending fire and health inspections.

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Laura Casey

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

March 20, 2025

Date

original signed by
Liz MacMullin

Signature of Operator/Designate

March 20, 2025

Date