

## 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 Fredericton Christian Academy Inc.	Licence Number 2015032	Inspection Date November 28, 2023
Facility Name Fredericton Christian Academy Early Childhood Learning Centre		Telephone Number (506) 458-9379
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Megan Munden		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
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)	Dec 12, 2023	
Comments: As indicated in the general comments of the renewal inspection in July, additional materials need to be brought into the outdoor space to maximize its potential. Please see general comments on this report for recommendations.			

<p><b>General Comments</b></p> <p>Children were observed in both the indoor and outdoor play environments.</p> <p>The outdoor play environment offers many spots for climbing, balancing, and running. There are pieces of wood for building at the back. Some buckets and pails were in the back in the sandbox.</p> <p>Some recommendations for the outdoor play space are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Set the sandbox materials up closer to the mud kitchen at the front. Since the sand is becoming hard due to the colder weather, the children enjoyed scooping with the wood chips but only two shovels could be found. Adding additional shovels and small containers would allow for more children to play.</li> <li>2. Some children removed their mitts when it was not as cold, so books, clipboards, and crayons could also be brought out to add to the 4 picnic tables that are available.</li> <li>3. The ball ramp could have a bucket of different sized balls beside it to encourage the children to use it.</li> <li>4. The wooden scale at the back could have containers attached so children could use this equipment.</li> <li>5. There is a large chalkboard at the top of the gravel mound. Chalk could be provided to children for mark-making.</li> <li>6. Additional indoor materials can be added as needed and that are of interest to the children: large play animals or dolls.</li> </ol> <p>Page 169 of the Operator's Manual has a list of suggested outdoor play materials and equipment that is part of Appendix 24. Despite it being a list that is for School-Aged children, it has great suggestions that could be added to your space and easily accessible for children. Examples are: small wagons, skipping ropes, and hula</p>
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General Comments

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Licensing staff observed the administrator fill out an incident report. Please have the staff who were present with the children fill out the report as they would have the most accurate information as to what happened. Also, if no staff directly witnessed the child become injured, then the witness section would remain blank.

Inside, children listened to a story and the educator did fun voices for the characters. They also played a circle game and danced to a video at the end of the day.

Child guidance was positive and kind throughout the monitoring inspection. Outdoors, a child was comforted when he fell and needed a new band-aid. Another educator was observed interacting with children and engaging in their imaginative play of being in a rocket ship. She played along with them and asked questions to extend their play.

The administrator was present in the indoor and outdoor environments assisting the educators and greeting parents. When one child required some one-on-one time, the administrator spent time with this child during a busy transition time.

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Megan Munden

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Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

November 28, 2023

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Date

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Molly Smith

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Signature of Operator/Designate

November 28, 2023

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Date