

## 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 Licence N		umber		Inspectio	Inspection Date	
Fredericton Montessori Academy Inc. 2019587				February	February 26, 2024	
Facility Name			Telephone Number			
Fredericton Montessori Academy - Casa			(506) 444-6249			
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131 Duncan Lane Fredericton NB E3B 7S2						
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff			Position Title			
Joanne Voye Page			Quality Assurance Monitor			
Order for Compliance		Regulation		te to be rected	Date corrected	
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: (g) attendance records of staff members.		24(1)(g) Feb		o 26, 2024	Feb 26, 2024	
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant. Licensing staff reminded educators to be signing in on attendance record going forward.						
General Comments						
Upon arrival, I was greeted by the Director of the Casa school program. This licensed facility was recently accredited in 2023 as a Montessori school. All children were observed in outdoor play during the first part of the inspection. Children were observed in a variety of active play opportunities - Children were observed playing on the climbing wall, pushing toy dump						

trucks, sliding on the ice, collecting and using pieces of ice that had broken and made into different shapes, searching for rainbow rocks, playing inside the playhouse, and practicing their balance skills and testing their limits while jumping from one tire to the next. Recommend the mud kitchen implements are available to children even during the winter months. Educators were observed kneeling down to engage children in conversation or to remind children to keep hands to their self when playing with friends.

When children were transitioned to move indoors, they lined up and the educators supervised children to ensure all children walked slowly as it was icy. A custodian did spread some sand on the walkway during the inspection visit, though I would also recommend sanding the outdoor play area as it is icy in areas.

Great transitioning between activities was observed - Touch your head, nose etc, singing songs when asking children to return books to the shelf and come to sit and listen to a story after eating lunch.

All children were observed washing hands after coming indoors and before eating lunch. All children were observed seated eating lunch together. Educators encourage children to socialize with different children while eating lunch. All equipment and materials are accessible to children in both classrooms.

The Casa program offers a hot lunch program, and children have a choice to eat the hot lunch or bring a lunch from home. Today tacos with sauce and juice were served.

Educator's were observed encouraging children to be independent - that is to remove coat, hats, boot, mitts, or to sweep the floor after eating lunch.

Currently no children are napping, but children do participate in quiet activities. One group has been learning about North America and learning about the 3 largest countries that make up North America. The main focus is Canada so children can now recite the provinces as they travel from BC to NFL. All children are introduced to

cursive letters and writing when they attend the Casa program in contrast to block letters. The younger group today is learning about the letter 'a' - thinking of words that begin with the sound of 'a' and also to recognize the 'a' when it is written in cursive form.

Educators have a wonderful rapport and demeanor. They speak in soft tones, and engage children by calling them by their name, use playful conversation and expressions.

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Joanne Voye Page
Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

February 26, 2024

original signed by Laura McDonald

February 26, 2024

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date

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