

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 YMCA OF GREATER SAINT JOHN INC.	Licence Number 2019607	Inspection Date March 30, 2021	
Facility Name YMCA Loch Lomond After School Program		Telephone Number (506) 646-2102	
Address 25 Evergreen Avenue Saint John NB E2N 1H3			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Britta Garnett		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
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)	Apr 06, 2021	
Comments: Junior Group (Upstairs): During the Monitoring Inspection, it was determined through observation and conversation that children can only engage in the materials set out on the tables. Children are not given the opportunity to choose games, toys and art materials from the shelving throughout the room. Children must be given time and space to choose from the wide variety of materials within the learning environment. It was stated that, the children from the junior group are brought downstairs to sit on the bench outside the senior room once attendance is lowered. These children are not given the opportunity for free choice as they are required to sit in the hall with books. Children are to be free to circulate their environment and be engage in activities for the duration of time they are attending the program. Discussed changes to be made with lead educator today.			
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)	Apr 06, 2021	
Comments: Renewal Inspection not posted on Parent Board. To be posted.			
28(3) The premises of a licensed facility shall comply with (a) lighting, ventilation and other general health standards under the Public Health Act.	28(3)(a)	Apr 06, 2021	
Comments: During the Monitoring Inspection, it was determined that the Junior Group is brought downstairs to sit on the bench in the hall outside the senior room once attendance is lowered, the educator is then supervising two different groups. As per the COVID-19 Guidance document, educators are to stay with the same group of children throughout the day, including at the end of the day. Facilities cannot reconfigure groups when attendance may be lower.			

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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 29, 2019	Mar 30, 2021
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant			

<p>General Comments</p> <p>Monitoring Inspection:</p> <p>Senior Group: Children engaged in a variety of activities this afternoon including; Lego building, a drawing challenge, Perler beads and reading in the cozy area. The room is set up with invitations that support the children's interests. A wide variety of materials are accessible to the children. The bookshelf in the cozy area is full of quality age appropriate books. This is an inviting spot to curl up with a book! Many positive interactions were observed between the children and educator today.</p> <p>The children and educator have created two large board games together. They have worked together to create the characters, rules, game board and pawns. What a great opportunity for the children!</p> <p>Junior Group (upstairs): Children engaged in a variety of activities today. Invitations are set up for the children when they arrive from school. The bookshelf in the cozy area is full of quality age appropriate books. This is an inviting spot to curl up with a book! A wide variety of materials are available within the environment however the children are not permitted to choose items from the shelving.</p> <p>Discussed removing the covers from bins to make materials more easily accessible to the children.</p> <p>Next steps: Adding photos of the children in each room. Adding items the children collect from nature to the art areas.</p>

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Britta Garnett

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

March 30, 2021

Date

original signed by
Jen Cormier

Signature of Operator/Designate

March 30, 2021

Date