

## 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 687526 NB	Licence Number 2019639	Inspection Date February 23, 2022	
Facility Name Mel's Toddler Town		Telephone Number (506) 609-4070	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Lisa Green		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.	21	Feb 28, 2022	
Comments: A purposefully planned and documented program not present in small preschool room. As discussed, evidence of children's interests and learning should be visible throughout the learning environment in the materials available and documentation posted.			
22 The daily routine of a licensed facility shall include (a) outdoor play for at least one hour in each four-hour block of time when the majority of children receiving services are in attendance except in the following circumstances: (i) the wind chill is below -20 °C; (ii) the temperature is below -20 °C; or (iii) the temperature is 33 °C with humidity or above.	22(a)	Feb 18, 2022	
Comments: one preschool group did not participate in outdoor play during the morning of inspection.			
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 21, 2022	
Comments: Attendance records for staff not present. As discussed, adding staff to weekly attendance records for each room will meet this requirement.			
25 An operator of a licensed facility shall post in a clearly visible and prominent place on the premises: (c) instructions regarding evacuation in case of a fire as approved by the fire marshal, deputy fire marshal or fire prevention officer.	25(c)	Feb 18, 2022	
Comments: Evacuation procedures not posted in larger preschool room.			
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)	Feb 28, 2022	
Comments: Bathroom- wall next to small sink needs repair and painting. Hallway- wall behind change table; Screw holes and chipped paint need repair and painting. Small preschool room- Chipped paint on wall of "reading garden" requires painting.			
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Feb 21, 2022	
Comments: Broken hook on mud kitchen.			

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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)	Feb 28, 2022	
Comments: Insufficient play materials for children to engage with in the outdoor play environment. As discussed, pots and pans, wooden utensils (i.e wooden spoons), buckets, and shovels are materials that can sustain the cold temperature and provide opportunities for creative play in the outdoors. Also consider ways to provide opportunities for art in the outdoors- spray bottles with colored water, colored water and paint brushes, as well as ice blocks for building, group time with songs and stories can also be done in the outdoor play environment.			

General Comments
<p>Renewal inspection completed today. Children were observed in the indoor and outdoor play environments during inspection.</p> <p>The larger preschool room is set up with a variety of materials that are easily accessible and displayed to support children's independence in choosing which materials to engage with. Lego, the doll house, and playdough were observed to be favorite activities during the time of inspection. Children are visible in the environment through the many photos posted throughout the room. Photos are posted at children's eye level providing a sense of belonging. Topic webs are posted of children's current interests. How do you ensure that the topic of interest currently being explored is evident in the materials available in the play environment, and that children's current and new knowledge of a particular topic is celebrated? Ensure documentation is dated.</p> <p>In the small preschool room, children engaged in play with blocks and animals creating trails and homes. Through questioning and engaging at their level, their educator supported their play. As discussed, consider using shelving away from the walls as a way to define interest centres and provide space for documentation to be displayed at the children's level.</p> <p>Update to daily routine needed for small preschool room.</p> <p>Recommendation for a new broom in larger preschool room.</p>

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Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

February 23, 2022

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Signature of Operator/Designate

February 23, 2022

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