

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 Cassel Enterprises Ltd.	Licence Number 2021023	Inspection Date November 17, 2022	
Facility Name Hands On Learning Enrichment Centre - Saint John		Telephone Number (506) 857-4263	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Jodi Hennessey		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
10(1) The number of educators that are required for a group of children of mixed ages receiving services at a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre is calculated as follows: (a) by multiplying the number of children of the same age by the corresponding factor set out in Schedule A; and (b) by adding the results obtained under paragraph (a).	10(1)	Nov 17, 2022	
Comments: Upon arrival for renewal inspection, it was observed 16 children in the two-year-old room with three educators. The children were ages 2, 3 & 4. There were 3 educators in the room. The two-year-old room measures for 10 spaces. This exceeded child-to-staff ratio for two educators as well as exceeded the number of children permitted in the room. Discussed with Administrator and educators and was rectified during inspection. Discussed with Administrator that at the beginning of the day 2-, 3- and 4-year old's may be mixed, however, cannot exceed room size and child-to-staff ratio for two educators. Administrator indicated she would be adjusting staff hours at beginning of the day to ensure this does not happen again.			
10(6) The number of children grouped at a full-time or part-time early learning and child- care centre shall not be more than the number that requires two educators.	10(6)	Nov 17, 2022	
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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: (e) administration of medication records.	24(1(e)	Nov 18, 2022	
Comments: Administration of Medication records missing for Epi-Pen for one child.			

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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: (f) daily attendance records of the children on forms provided by the Minister.	24(1)(f)	Nov 18, 2022	
Comments: Three year old room: * One child not signed in upon arrival.			
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)	Dec 02, 2022	
Comments: Three-year-old washroom: * Ceiling tiles between sink and toilet water stained and broken, to be replaced. Four-year-old Room: * Blue wall beneath both windows, two nail holes exposed, to be crack filled and repainted. After School Room: * Small Science room adjacent to back washroom. Hold in wall to be repaired. * White stools in washroom, legs accumulating dirt and debris to be thoroughly cleaned.			
30(1) A full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre shall have an indoor play area of at least 3.25 m ² for each child receiving services at the centre.	30(1)	Nov 17, 2022	
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31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Dec 02, 2022	
Comments: Infant Deck: * White fence caps missing in three spots. Two on the gate and one on the fence adjacent to the gate. This has created sharp edges to be repaired. Preschool Fenced in area: * Garbage (paper, old masks) observed on playground. To be cleaned.			
32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (d) clean and in good repair.	32(1)(d)	Dec 02, 2022	
Comments: Infant Room: * Bins accumulating dirt/debris, to be cleaned. * Red bucket seats at table, two broken/cracked, to be replaced. Two's Room: * Fabric doll in highchair, stained. to be washed. If unable to clean to be discarded. Three's Room: * Cabbage Patch Doll faces have been marked with markers, to be cleaned.			
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)	Nov 17, 2022	
Comments: After School Room: * Washroom with one toilet, cabinet not locked. PineSol in cabinet. This must be kept under lock and key/locked cabinet.			

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Comments: Infant Nap Room: * Three pacifiers in one crib--not in a labelled container. * Pacifier in cubby--not in a labelled container. Two's Room: * Pacifier in cubby--not in labelled container. *Pacifier in baggie--not labelled. Three's Room: *Pacifier in cubby--not in a labelled container.			
40(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that personal belongings of a child receiving services at the licensed facility that are brought to the licensed facility, including combs, brushes, toothbrushes, towels, washcloths, bedding, pacifiers and soothers, are (c) stored separately for each child.	40(1)(c)	Nov 17, 2022	
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43 An operator of a licensed facility shall not permit hot beverages in areas that are occupied by the children receiving services at the licensed facility, including the outdoor play area.	43	Nov 17, 2022	
Comments: Mug of hot chocolate observed on shelf in infant room. Discussed with Administrator at time of inspection.			
46(4) An operator of a licensed facility shall maintain a chronologically filed medication record of all medication administered to a child.	46(4)	Nov 18, 2022	
Comments: Administration of Medication records missing for Epi-Pen for one child.			
50(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall maintain a chronologically filed daily incident log relating to the health, security and well-being of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	50(1)	Nov 18, 2022	
Comments: Daily Incident Log were observed however, all children were on one page. These must be kept confidential at all times. Discussed with Administrator and Educators the reasons for confidentiality.			

General Comments
<p>A renewal inspection occurred today.</p> <p>The children were observed during morning snack, outside play, inside play, lunch and quiet time/nap.</p> <p>It was observed in the washroom adjacent to the three-year-old room that the light in the ceiling had water accumulating in the cover. Discussed with Administrator, and Inspector reached out to the Fire Prevention Officer for the facility for guidance. Fire indicated that this is a hazard and must be fixed as soon as possible. The administrator reached out to an electrician as she indicated that this has happened before due to the age of the ventilation system in the building.</p> <p>There is a wide variety of age-appropriate materials in each of the learning environments for the children to interact and engage with and children's learning is documented and displayed on the walls of each room.</p>

General Comments

Discussed transitions and having a visual schedule to support the children with transitions and also to help the children when putting on their snow suits.

Educators were observed having respectful and responsive conversations with the children in their care, tending to their needs and re-directing behaviors appropriately.

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Jodi Hennessey

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

November 17, 2022

Date

original signed by
Megan Larsen

Signature of Operator/Designate

November 17, 2022

Date