

## 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 Cassel Enterprises Ltd.		Inspection Date January 23, 2026
Facility Name Hands On Learning Enrichment Centre - Saint John		Licence Number 2021023
Address 1672 Rothesay Road Saint John NB E2H 2J3		Telephone Number (506) 857-4263
Type of Facility Full-time Early Learning and Childcare Centre	Maximum Number of Children 50	Ages of Children INFANTS PRESCHOOL SCHOOL-AGE
ELCC Licensing Staff Amanda Wills	Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
31(6) The outdoor play area of a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre at which services are provided to infants or preschool children shall be enclosed with a fence at least 1.22 m in height with a gate that is secured at all times when the children are present.	31(6)	Feb 02, 2026	
Comments: Licensing observed that the latch on the gate to the play yard does not latch properly and, when it does engage, it is very difficult to open. In addition, the fencing along the bottom of the gate is separating from the post. To be repaired.			

General Comments
<p>A Monitoring Inspection occurred in the morning of January 23, 2026</p> <p>The children were observed engaging in a variety of activities across the indoor and outdoor environments. As well as transition between the two.</p> <p>Infants Room: The children were observed engaged in the dramatic play area with their educator, listening to music and eating snack, with handwashing occurring beforehand. Outdoors, the children were observed playing in the playhouse, digging with shovels, and pushing the ride on car. The educator indicated that the children are currently interested in music and food.</p> <p>Two-Year-old room: The children were observed playing with scarves and getting ready to eat snack, with handwashing occurring beforehand. Outdoors, the children were observed going down the slide, pushing around the trucks, jumping, and digging in the snow. The educators indicated that the children are currently interested in baby dolls, movement, and colors.</p> <p>Three-year-old room: The children were observed eating snack. After snack, the children transitioned to the outdoors. Outdoors, the children were observed going down the slide, pushing around the trucks, jumping, and digging in the snow.</p> <p>Preschool Room: The children were observed eating snack while their educator sat with them, read books, and asked open ended questions. The children shared that the storybooks were from their homes. After snack, the</p>

## General Comments

children transitioned to free play activities that included dramatic play, playing with bouncy balls, playing with the parachute with their educator, and dancing and singing. The educator indicated that the children are currently interested in music, building activities, and big body movements.

Several forms of documentation were visible throughout the facility, including learning stories, learning webs, photographs, and children's artwork.

Educators demonstrated positive interactions by using encouraging language and gentle reminders. They asked open-ended questions, listened actively, and extended children's ideas through conversations.

A clearly visible and prominent area was designated for posting the facility license, current monitoring reports, and any orders for compliance. Additional documents observed included incident logs, daily attendance records, daily information sheets, one staff file, and monthly emergency evacuation and fire drills.

A conversation took place with the administrator on the following:

- Licensing observed that the play couch in the three-year-old room is torn in multiple places. To be removed, repaired, or replaced.
- The administrator to send an incident report indicating that the facility is in an outbreak and provide an update once the outbreak has ended.
- Educators to ensure that art activities are open ended, encouraging children to explore and experiment with a variety of materials.
- Educators to ensure that the daily attendance records include the name of the facility, the group name, and that the "week of" section is filled in.

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Amanda Wills

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Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

January 26, 2026

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Date

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Lisa Greene

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Signature of Operator/Designated staff

January 26, 2026

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Date

*"I hereby acknowledge receipt of this report"*