

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.

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| Name of operator Mattea Kennedy | Licence Number 2021091 | Inspection Date April 19, 2023 | |
| Facility Name Little Ducklings | | Telephone Number (506) 282-3095 | |
| Address 201 McNeill Avenue Fredericton NB E3A 1J5 | | | |
| Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Megan Munden | | Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor | |

| Order for Compliance | Regulation | Date to be corrected | Date corrected |
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| 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 | Apr 19, 2023 | |
| Comments: There was no evidence of planned programming since April 4th, 2023. Start creating a plan for each day that allows flexibility and is based on the children's interests. | | | |
| 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 19, 2023 | |
| Comments: There was no paper towel in the washroom dispenser and the garbage had not been emptied. Please replenish to ensure supplies are stocked for the beginning of each day and the garbage is emptied daily or more often if needed. Soap was provided in a large refill bottle but should be in a dispenser. The children's hands were washed before snack and lunch but not after diaper changing. Ensure children's hands are being washed after their diaper is being changed. | | | |
| 30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children. | 30(3) | Apr 19, 2023 | |
| Comments: Dirt and crumbs were observed under two of the playpen mats. These need to be routinely cleaned. The change pad mat has a small tear and must be replaced. The kitchen floor must be swept and mopped daily. A lower cupboard is broken and must be repaired/replaced. The operator is painting the playroom and one section has been completed. The other walls have been prepared for painting and nail holes have been puttied. Painting must be completed to ensure the walls can be properly washed. The shelf in the play area is broken and must be removed. The operator has a plan to replace with a new shelf she is purchasing at the end of the month, but the broken shelf must be removed or repaired. Artwork is still being hung by push pins and these must be replaced with nails. | | | |
| 31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children. | 31(3) | Apr 19, 2023 | |

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| Comments: If tires are going to be used, they must have drain holes drilled in them to drain any standing water. There were some cement blocks, including one broken one, beside the slide. The operator removed from the immediate area and will discard later. | | | |

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| <p>General Comments</p> <p>One child was in attendance for the first part of the morning. The operator read with the child before and after snack. The child also played with the kitchen set and the operator remained engaged, following the child's lead and using opportunities to expand on his vocabulary.</p> <p>At 10:15 a.m. the operator set out coloring items- crayons, paper and scissors. Two other children arrived during that time.</p> <p>The operator spoke kindly to the children and used positive child guidance. She encouraged children to use gentle hands and share.</p> <p>The operator was able to show Licensing Staff photos on her Facebook page of activities over the last few days- an outdoor picnic and children coloring and using glue. Licensing staff discussed purposeful planning, going with the children's interests and showing evidence of learning other ways than through Facebook.</p> <p>The operator took the children outside early as she noticed they had a lot of energy. A fourth child arrived during outside time.</p> <p>The nap room has recently been painted.</p> <p>The dog and puppy remained in the basement during the monitoring inspection and were let outdoors at lunch time.</p> <p>The operator is also working on adding more resources to her space. This was previously discussed with the Early Learning Consultant and Licensing Staff. This will be checked on the next visit as well.</p> <p>In the outdoor space, children played on the slides and in the playhouses.</p> |
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Megan Munden

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

April 20, 2023

Date

original signed by
Mattea Kennedy

Signature of Operator/Designate

April 20, 2023

Date