

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 Angela Stewart	Licence Number 2021127	Inspection Date October 24, 2024	
Facility Name Macie's Happy Faces Daycare		Telephone Number (506) 440-6393	
Address 531 Main Street Doaktown NB E9C 1W9			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Laura Casey		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
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 24, 2024	Oct 24, 2024
Comments: An air freshener spray was in the cupboard under the sink in the children's bathroom. Inspector removed during inspection. Deficiency is now compliant			

General Comments
<p>Upon Licensing staff arrival for the renewal inspection, the children were playing outdoors.</p> <p>The outdoor play spaces were fully fenced for each age group. The infants were observed playing with balls, on slides and in a playhouse. The preschool age children were observed playing on a Little Tikes play climber, on tires, running and playing with balls and trucks. Attendance logs as well as first aid packs were taken outdoors, and Educators were actively engaged with the children. As recommendation to maintain second play surfaces during the winter months when sandboxes are put away, the addition of wooden stepping stumps or slabs could be a positive addition to the spaces.</p> <p>Later in the morning, when each age group came indoors, personal belongings were hung up on hooks with names and outdoor footwear was changed. The indoor preschool age space was organized and clean. Material such as art supplies, dress up costumes, science fossils and magnifying glasses, as well as musical instruments were arranged in stations and bins of material were clearly labeled. Childrens artwork was on display as well as current learning stories. The infant indoor space had easily accessible bins of material, a mirror placed at child level, books, cozy pillows, and a play kitchen. As a recommendation, the addition of sensory play pieces such as locks, knobs, spoons and objects that turn or clasp along the wall below the window would allow additional fine motor skill play.</p> <p>Before lunch, proper handwashing was observed. During lunch, the children sat together at tables and gentle reminders were heard on staying seated while eating. The preschool age children were encouraged to tidy up their packages for the trash and the infants were supervised at all times while eating. As a reminder, please encourage parents to send lunch items that are ready to eat and cut for age-appropriate self-feeding safety.</p>

General Comments

There was evidence of daily routine as the transition between lunch and nap for both age groups was smooth. Twinkle lights were turned on and calm music was played.

After nap, proper diaper changing, bathroom time, as well as handwashing was observed. During afternoon snack, positive child guidance was observed as an Educator used a soft tone of voice for redirection at the child's level. When the school age children arrived later in the afternoon, they were greeted off the bus by an Educator. There school age space was organized and ready for the children to arrive with a rock painting activity placed out on the tables.

During inspection, child and staff files were verified and all required licensing documentation was in order. The parent board in the main entry was clearly visible, emergency evacuation procedures were posted, and monthly fire drills are being conducted. Professional development hours as well as planning and documentation of learning was verified and are meeting licensing requirements.

Licensing staff recommends for renewal.

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Laura Casey

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

October 28, 2024

Date

original signed by
Angela Stewart

Signature of Operator/Designate

October 28, 2024

Date