

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 Little Miracles 2 Daycare Inc.		Inspection Date January 22, 2026
Facility Name Little Miracles 2 Daycare		Licence Number 2024148
Address 9286 Main Street Richibucto NB E4W 4C7		Telephone Number (506) 523-7585
Type of Facility Full-time Early Learning and Childcare Centre	Maximum Number of Children 47	Ages of Children PRESCHOOL SCHOOL-AGE
ELCC Licensing Staff Stephanie Hickey	Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
11(c)(ii) The qualifications and training requirements for administrators and educators are as follows: (c) at a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre, (ii) on and after July 1, 2020, (A) at least 50% of educators must hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate or training that is equivalent in the opinion of the Minister, and (B) an administrator must hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate or training that is equivalent in the opinion of the Minister.	11(c)(ii)	Jun 30, 2027	
Comments: The Quality Assurance Monitor noted that the facility did not meet the requirement of at least 50% of educators holding a one year Early Childhood Education Certificate or equivalent. This was discussed with the administrator, who confirmed that one staff member is currently enrolled and scheduled to begin the program in September 2026.			
12(3) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that a criminal record check or a vulnerable sector check, as the case may, and a check with the Department of Social Development is conducted on each staff member and associated person at least every five years.	12(3)	Feb 04, 2026	
Comments: During the verification of staff records, the Quality Assurance Monitor noted that the administrator and one staff member had expired criminal record checks and vulnerable sector checks. The Quality Assurance Monitor reminded the administrator that all staff are required to renew both checks every five years.			

General Comments
<p>The Quality Assurance Monitor is on site in the morning to conduct a monitoring inspection.</p> <p>While on site, the following items were verified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Staff records •Administrative records maintained on site •Medication •Health •Child guidance <p>During the monitoring inspection, the Quality Assurance Monitor observed children getting ready to go outdoors, as well as some outdoor play.</p>

General Comments

Although child to staff ratios were respected, upon arrival the Quality Assurance Monitor observed that the administrator was assisting children in getting ready to go outside, while another educator was with a child finishing their snack. The Quality Assurance Monitor asked how many children were present, and the administrator stated there were 6 or 7 children. The Quality Assurance Monitor proceeded to count the children and counted 8.

The Quality Assurance Monitor again asked how many children were present, and the administrator replied that 7 children were present. When asked for the ages of the children, the administrator began to provide ages. The Quality Assurance Monitor informed the administrator that 8 children were present, not 7. The administrator checked the attendance sheet and asked the other staff member if a child was missing or in the washroom. The staff member confirmed one child was in the bathroom. The administrator then confirmed that 8 children were present.

The Quality Assurance Monitor again asked for the ages of the children. The administrator replied that "the page with the ages is there." The Quality Assurance Monitor reminded the administrator that it is the responsibility of the administrator and the educators to always know how many children are present and their ages. The administrator acknowledged knowing the ages, and the educator proceeded to provide them to the Quality Assurance Monitor.

A discussion took place regarding a play structure that had been added to the outdoor play area. The Quality Assurance Monitor observed the structure and asked if it had been added recently. The administrator stated it had been added the previous week. The Quality Assurance Monitor informed the administrator that a Change in Service is required when changes are made to the facility, including the addition of outdoor structures. The administrator indicated they were not aware of this requirement.

The Quality Assurance Monitor explained that any new structure must be inspected to ensure it is safe for use and that appropriate protective surfacing must be installed. The administrator stated that no protective surfacing had been added due to snow. The Quality Assurance Monitor informed the administrator that children cannot use the structure until protective surfacing is in place and asked how they ensure children do not use the structure in the meantime. The administrator stated they simply tell the children not to use it. The Quality Assurance Monitor recommended placing a ribbon or barrier on the structure to prevent access. The administrator agreed to do this.

The Quality Assurance Monitor also addressed two bags of cans located outside near the door used by children to access the outdoor play area. The Quality Assurance Monitor indicated they must be removed from the traffic area. The administrator confirmed they would remove them.

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Stephanie Hickey

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

January 23, 2026

Date

original signed by
Christine Arseneault

Signature of Operator/Designated staff

January 23, 2026

Date

"I hereby acknowledge receipt of this report"