

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 Centenary-Queen Square Day Care Centres Inc.	Licence Number 218001	Inspection Date August 15, 2024	
Facility Name CENTENARY QUEEN SQUARE DAYCARE CENTRE		Telephone Number (506) 693-8080	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Britta Garnett		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (a) varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	32(1)(a)	Sep 03, 2024	
Comments: Preschool Room and Toddler A: Art materials depleted. A variety of open-ended art materials must be accessible to the children. Art materials to be replenished daily. Examples of materials to include, but are not limited to: variety of paper in colours, textures and sizes, paint, paint brushes, paint rollers, mark making materials, glue, tape, feathers, tissue paper, cardboard tubes, fabric, yarn, ribbon, recycled items, items collected from nature, collage materials, etc.			
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)	Sep 03, 2024	
Comments: Preschool: Green shelving unit, paint peeling. To be painted.			
33(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide outdoor play area materials and equipment that are varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	33(1)	Sep 03, 2024	
Comments: Outdoor Play Area: Small toys not accessible to children. Items to be added, but not limited to animals, dinky cars, age-appropriate loose parts, stacking cups, etc.			
49(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that the guidance of the children receiving services at the licensed facility is positive and includes positive reinforcement, encouraging efforts and recognizing accomplishments.	49(1)	Aug 15, 2024	

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<p>Comments: Two educators observed not implementing positive child guidance practices in their interactions with children this morning. One educator yelled at a child repeatedly "let's go!" and pulled on the child's arm to make them walk, when the child did not want to follow the group to the outdoor play area. The other educator repeatedly said "no", grabbing the children's hands and pushing them away and pointing in their faces, when the children were trying to explore worms and salamanders they had found in the outdoor play area. Positive child guidance practices to be reviewed with staff. Transition times can be difficult for children, it is important for educators to plan for transition times. Ensure educators are redirecting children rather than repeatedly saying "no". QA Monitor discussed with administrator during inspection.</p>			
6.4(2) The operator shall implement and monitor the quality improvement plan and revise it each year.	6.4(2)	Aug 21, 2024	
<p>Comments: Quality Improvement Plan has not been submitted to the department. The Quality Improvement Plan was due in May 2024. The Early Learning Consultant in collaboration with the QA Monitor and Inspector gave the facility an extension of Jun 21, 2024. Reminders were sent via email and given to the administrator in person when plan was not submitted. The Board of Directors was contacted on Jul 10, 2024, to ensure administrator submitted plan. A Quality Improvement Plan is a requirement of designation and must be submitted to the Early Learning Consultant and QA Monitor by Wednesday, Aug 21, 2024. QA Monitor discussed with administrator during inspection.</p>			

General Comments
<p>Monitoring Inspection:</p> <p>Children and educators observed engaged in a variety of activities this morning including painting, gross motor and sensory play outdoors. Children were observed balancing, climbing and throwing balls with their peers.</p> <p>A small group of children found some worms and two salamanders under a log. What information and materials could be added to the indoor and outdoor environment that could expand on this emerging interest?</p> <p>QA Monitor discussed some areas of focus with staff during inspection.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - adding more science materials to environments, including outdoors - improving reading areas by adding rugs, soft seating, soft toys, plants, etc. - QA Monitor left ideas for creating a cozy, reading space outdoors <p>Hand washing routines observed. Positive interactions observed between an educator and child during hand washing and paint clean up.</p> <p>QA Monitor discussed the sliding lock to the outdoor play area, some of the screws are becoming loose and require tightening.</p>

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Britta Garnett

August 15, 2024

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

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Bev Galbraith

August 15, 2024

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date