

## 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 YMCA OF GREATER SAINT JOHN INC.	Licence Number 283003	Inspection Date April 08, 2021	
Facility Name YMCA OF GREATER SJ Q-PLEX AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM - DOWNSTAIRS		Telephone Number (506) 849-5784	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Breanne Jones		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
11 The qualifications and training requirements for administrators and educators are as follows: (a) an administrator and educators must hold a valid first aid certificate and a valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation certificate;	11(a)	Apr 16, 2021	
Comments: Random review of staff files. Missing from one staff's file. Staff can not be left alone with children until valid certificate has been placed in file.			
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 09, 2021	
Comments: Educators are documenting program plans, but purposeful planning was not evident within the environment today. Side 2 had paint and paper set out on one table. There were no invitations set up for the children's arrival on side 1. Some progress was noted on side 2 in displaying the children's interests (ex: Lego constructions are being displayed on a shelf within the creative art center), however, more needs to be added to both environments. (Previous comply by dates of Feb.8, 2021 and March 24, 2021).			
24(1) For the purposes of subsection 20(1) of the Act, the following records and documents shall be maintained on the premises of a licensed facility: (c) staff member records that include (iv) a signed declaration confirming that the staff member has read and understood his or her obligations under the Act and this Regulation.	24(1)(c)(iv)	Apr 16, 2021	
Comments: Random review of files. Missing for 2 staff members.			
26(2) The operator of a licensed facility shall require the parent or guardian referred to in subsection (1) to sign a declaration confirming that he or she has read and understood the content of the handbook.	26(2)	Apr 26, 2021	
Comments: Random review of child files. Missing for one child.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	May 07, 2021	

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<p>Comments: Indoor play space was noted to be full of clutter on the day of inspection. Items to be removed that are currently being stored within the indoor play area environment include: doll house in poor repair, hockey nets, TV, TV stand piled with garbage can lid and extension cords(located within the entrance of washroom), towels (used for cleaning) draped over bathroom stalls. There is also clutter (ex: vacuum, book bags, clothing, toys, games, containers) piled on top of the grey chair in the corner by the closet. This is not valuing the children's environment. Clutter must be removed immediately and the indoor play area is to be kept organized and set up in an inviting way.</p> <p>Storage is required for washroom supplies. Cardboard box containing washroom supplies was observed being stored under the sink within the side 1 washrooms.</p> <p>Windows and window ledges were noted to be unclean during today's inspection. If children are spending time sitting on the window sills, this should be incorporated into daily cleaning/sanitizing schedule. Requires immediate attention.</p> <p>Repairs required:  Electrical tape to be removed from black rubber baseboard along wall (side 1). This black rubber baseboard needs to be replaced in many different areas, as it is breaking away from the walls (especially near corner in art center and cozy area of side 2). The corners of the window sills located near the exit door are also in poor condition and need to be repaired and repainted.  Both orange and white walls are in need of painting.  Walls around doorway at the top of the stairs is in need of painting (previous comply by date of Feb.22, 2021 and March 24, 2021).  If this work can not be completed by May 7, 2021, supervisor must submit a date to inspector detailing when this work will be completed.</p>			
<p>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.</p>	<p>32(1)(a)</p>	<p>Apr 30, 2021</p>	
<p>Comments: Improvements were noted within creative art center on both sides. Additional collage materials are required on side 1. Ensure these are replenished regularly (Previous comply by date of Feb.15, 2021).</p> <p>Books are depleted within both areas. Additional books to be added that are related to the children's interests and displayed in an inviting way.</p> <p>There are some options for dramatic play (pop up animal/vet tent) but this is lacking in props and materials to support this interest.</p> <p>Additional dramatic play materials are required within both environments. These should be tailored to the children's interests. Some kitchen related materials, pretend food accessories are accessible, but not capturing the children's interests. Refer to last monitoring inspection, dated March 18, 2021 for items that can be added.</p>			
<p>32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (d) clean and in good repair.</p>	<p>32(1)(d)</p>	<p>Apr 23, 2021</p>	

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<p>Comments: Wooden shelving unit on side 1 in poor repair. To be repaired or removed (previous comply by date of Feb.15, 2021 and March 26, 2021).</p> <p>Grey chair remains to be in poor condition and has been moved into corner within side 1. (previously advised to be removed or repaired Nov. 9,2021, Feb. 15, 2021 and March 26, 2021).</p> <p>Bean bag chair was unclean and dusty. No evidence that this can be removed or is being laundered regularly. A cover needs to be purchased that will be laundered or bean bag chair removed (Previous comply by date of Feb.15, 2021 and March 26, 2021).</p> <p>Hooks beside storage closet accumulating dust and remain unclean (previously noted on March 26, 2021).</p> <p>Outdoor play equipment: Toy trucks being stored indoors by cubbies were visibly soiled with dirt. Not evident that these are being cleaned. Educators to reference Appendix C cleaning chart within COVID-19 Guidance document for cleaning requirements (as previously advised within monitoring inspection on March 18, 2021).</p>			

General Comments
<p>Renewal inspection completed today. Hand washing routines were observed today. The children were observed during indoor and outdoor play this afternoon.</p> <p>The children were greeted by the educators and ate snack upon arrival today. Some children were observed walking around with their snack, or eating on the window sill and putting food down on this surface. This can not happen and children should be provided with napkins/plates, etc.</p> <p>Improvements were noted on both sides with respect to creative art centers. Recommended adding more loose parts/collage materials to side 1, and ensuring this is replenished and set up/organized daily for the children. Setting out a variety off these materials on the table for the children will also encourage open ended art to occur. There is an easel on side 1 as well but it is in need of storage for paint/water/accessories and should be set up and ready for the children. These items were piled on the floor under the easel during today's inspection.</p> <p>Side 2 had paint, water, paper and brushes set up for the children's arrival today and the children were drawn to this immediately upon arrival. Some of the children's recent Lego creations are also being displayed on a shelf mounted to the wall on side 2 as well. This is a great way to highlight the children's interests and creations.</p> <p>The hockey nets were noted to still be inside within the indoor play space at children's arrival. This has been discussed during past inspections, most recently on March 18, 2021. Program preparation (moving the hockey nets and outdoor materials outside, setting up invitations for the children) must be happening prior to the children's arrival.</p> <p>Discussed removing items causing clutter within the indoor play area with supervisor and a need to devise a plan to remove these items promptly.</p> <p>Additional materials are still required within the indoor play area that support the children's interests. Supervisor states that additional books, rugs, materials have been ordered but have not yet arrived.</p> <p>A request for exemption is required for regulation 24(1) to maintain financial records at the regional YMCA rather than this site.</p>

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Breanne Jones

April 08, 2021

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

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Laura Greer

April 08, 2021

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Signature of Operator/Designate

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