

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 283053	Inspection Date April 25, 2022	
Facility Name YMCA OF GREATER SAINT JOHN LAKEWOOD HEIGHTS AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM		Telephone Number (506) 658-2816	
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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
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	May 20, 2022	
Comments: There was no evidence of purposeful planning. Planning sheet was completed for one group (group 2) but this was not based on the children's current interests. There was no documented plan for the other groupings. Interests that were apparent and reported by staff today included magic, constructing/building models, and fort building and hockey. Materials and props to be added to the environment to support this, and alternated regularly as new interests evolve.			
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: (b) child records that include: (ii) the name, address and telephone number of the child's medical practitioner.	24(1)(b)(ii)	May 20, 2022	
Comments: Random review of child files. Medical practitioner info missing for one file.			
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: (b) child records that include: (iv) the name, address and telephone number of at least two individuals authorized by the child's parent or guardian to pick up the child and to be contacted in case of an emergency if the parent or guardian cannot be reached,	24(1)(b)(iv)	May 20, 2022	
Comments: Random review of child files. Emergency contacts for one child file are not local. Emergency contacts must be able to pick up a child within one hour when required. Request new emergency contacts for this child. Another file is missing 1 emergency contact address-to be added.			
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: (b) child records that include: (vii) documentary evidence of the child's learning.	24(1)(b)(vii)	May 20, 2022	
Comments: Some art was displayed on the walls but there is no other evidence of the children's learning within the environment. If the walls can not be used due to shared space, this must be displayed in another way such as a books created within groups, albums of photos, charts, creating poster boards to display, etc. This could also be demonstrated through ongoing/past projects and models displayed within the environment.			
28(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall carry out emergency evacuation and fire drills monthly.	28(2)	May 20, 2022	

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Comments: Evacuation/Fire drill was not documented for June, November, or December of 2021. There were also not documented for January or February 2022. Evacuation drills must be practiced and documented monthly.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	May 20, 2022	
Comments: The walls (particularly in the corners) within the room require minor repairs/crack fill and need to be painted. Proof that a work order has been submitted (ex: email to the district/principal) to be forwarded to inspector if this work will not be completed by license expiry.			
32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (b) arranged on low, open shelves and accessible to the children receiving services at the licensed facility,	32(1)(b)	May 20, 2022	
Comments: The three groups of children are using one general space, rather than having designated areas for each group which have been designed based on the children's current interests. Some materials and equipment that should be available and accessible were not during today's inspection. Ex: hockey sticks, foam balls, mini stick nets, table top sports game tables, etc. The environment must be set up so that each group of children have access to materials that interest them.			
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)	May 20, 2022	
Comments: The table with the painted top and pink legs is in poor repair, worn and can no longer be cleaned properly-to be replaced. Many of the large rectangular tables are in poor repair (cracked, press board exposed, chipped). These tables must be replaced. Doll house-paper is peeling off the side-to be repaired. This is otherwise in good condition. Grey shelving unit near the stairs used to store materials is chipped, worn and wood is exposed. This can not be cleaned properly-to be refinished/repainted or replaced. Pillows within cozy area are stained/worn-to be replaced and laundered regularly. The fabric on black folding chairs was unclean and requires laundering. Debris accumulating on area rug within cozy area- to be vacuumed.			

General Comments
<p>Renewal inspection was completed today.</p> <p>The children were observed within their indoor environment, eating snack and briefly while outdoors. All groups participated in outdoor play today. Materials and equipment were brought outside today.</p> <p>There was a variety of creative art materials accessible today. Some of the older children were observed building/constructing with Dixie cups and a glue gun on the stage area during today's inspection.</p> <p>Recommending that staff set up a "work station" within the room, adding building materials, glue guns and loose parts to support this interest.</p> <p>Some children were also observed playing catch with each other indoors and engaging in gross motor activity. Materials and equipment were not accessible or set up to support this today. Ensure these materials such as mini stick nets, etc. are set up daily for the children's arrival if this is an ongoing interest.</p> <p>Essential and Routine Services Plan has not been completed for a child with a medical condition. This should be documented with required steps to be taken in case of an emergency. A copy of this should be kept with the medication and also within the staff file. A consent form for the required medication must also be completed.</p> <p>There are no extreme allergies reported at this time.</p>

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Britta Garnett

April 25, 2022

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

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No signed report

April 25, 2022

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date