

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 Playschool Inc.	Licence Number 334017	Inspection Date September 15, 2023	
Facility Name Playschool		Telephone Number (506) 536-1837	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sarah MacDougall		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
12(0.1)(a)(i-iii) In subsection (1), an operator of a licensed facility includes: (a) in the case of a criminal record check or a vulnerable sector check, as the case may be, (i) in the case of a corporation or unincorporated association, the directors, (ii) in the case of a partnership, the partners, and (iii) in the case of a limited partnership, the general partners;	12(0.1)(a)(i-iii)	Sep 30, 2023	
Comments: As per the amendments to the Act, Board members of non-profit organizations, must have a criminal record check or vulnerable sector check. A record of suitability with the Department of Social Development is also required if they have contact with children or responsible for finances as part of their role. The vulnerable sector check must be completed for those people that have contact with children at the facility. Administrator must ensure that these checks are completed and a copy of provided to the inspector.			
12(0.1)(b)(i-iii) In subsection (1), an operator of a licensed facility includes: (b) in the case of a check with the Department of Social Development, (i) in the case of a corporation or unincorporated association, the directors who have contact with children receiving services in the facility or who manage the finances of the facility, (ii) in the case of a partnership, the partners who have contact with children receiving services in the facility or who manage the finances of the facility, and (iii) in the case of a limited partnership, the general partners who have contact with children receiving services in the facility or who manage the finances of the facility.	12(0.1)(b)(i-iii)	Sep 30, 2023	
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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)	Sep 27, 2023	
Comments: 2 of the 8 audited children's records are missing the full address of the medical practitioner. Recommendation that Administrator review all children's records to ensure that all required information is indicated.			

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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)	Sep 27, 2023	
Comments: 2 of the 8 audited children's records verified are missing an emergency contact. Recommendation that Administrator review all children's records to ensure that all required information is indicated.			
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: (v) the child's health history and a copy of the record of immunizations or a copy of an exemption.	24(1)(b)(v)	Sep 27, 2023	
Comments: 1 of the 8 audited children's records is missing a copy of the immunization record. Recommendation that Administrator review all children's records to ensure that all required information is indicated.			
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: (f) daily attendance records of the children on forms provided by the Minister.	24(1)(f)	Sep 13, 2023	Sep 13, 2023
Comments: During the renewal inspection, inspector observed that the daily attendance records provided by the Minister were not filled out for the day. A discussion was had with the Administrator, who indicates that they have a separate attendance record and fill out the Minister's forms at the end of the day. Administrator must ensure that the Minister's daily attendance records are kept updated as the children arrive and leave the facility. Administrator filled out this information immediately. Deficiency is now compliant			
28(3) The premises of a licensed facility shall comply with (b) codes and standards under the Fire Prevention Act.	28(3)(b)	Sep 13, 2023	
Comments: Inspector observed that there is a child safety lock on two of the exit doors. Child safety locks are not permitted on emergency exits. A discussion was had with the Administrator that these must be removed. A discussion was had with the Administrator regarding alternatives to this.			
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Sep 20, 2023	
Comments: The water table in the outdoor play area is cracked. Administrator must ensure that this is removed from the outdoor play area, in order to ensure that the outdoor play area is maintained safe and free of hazards.			
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 13, 2023	Sep 13, 2023
Comments: Inspector observed that the lining is ripped on two chairs in the indoor play area. This was addressed with the administrator, who removed these from the indoor play area immediately, to ensure that all equipment is maintained in good repair. Deficiency is now compliant			
33(3) An operator of a licensed facility shall complete a monthly review and maintenance plan on all stationary equipment that includes the following information: (a) the review and repair dates; (b) the action required and the action taken; and (c) the name of the staff member who conducted the review.	33(3)	Oct 01, 2023	
Comments: Administrator was only able to provide the verification of the monthly stationary equipment for the month of September 2023. As indicated in the Operator Manual, the Operator completes monthly review and maintenance plan of the stationary equipment and records are available on-site. Administrator must ensure that a verification of the stationary equipment is completed before October 1st 2023 and ensure that all required information is documented, such as the review and repair dates; the action required and taken; and the name of the staff completing the review.			
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)	Sep 13, 2023	Sep 13, 2023
Comments: Inspector found a bottle of Lysol disinfectant wipes placed on a high shelf in the indoor play area. All toxic products must be placed under lock and key. This was addressed with the educator, who placed it under lock and key immediately. Deficiency is now compliant			

General Comments

During the renewal inspection, inspector observed indoor play, outdoor play, snack time, lunch time as well as the children transitioning to the rest period. Inspector observed the educators allowing the children to freely choose the activities in which they were interested. Some children chose to paint, others chose to dress up, some chose to play with blocks, and some chose to play with Play-Doh.

Inspector observed positive interactions between the educators and the children, such as setting reasonable limits that make sense to the children, gentle reminders, as well as celebrating with children during moments of success.

Ratio was respected during the time of the inspection.

original signed by
Sarah MacDougall

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

September 15, 2023

Date

original signed by
Allison Butcher

Signature of Operator/Designate

September 15, 2023

Date