

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 The Preschool Centre Inc.	Licence Number 518003	Inspection Date February 01, 2023
Facility Name The Preschool Centre		Telephone Number (506) 458-8982
Address 717 Windsor Street Fredericton NB E3B 4G3		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sabrina Diotte		Position Title Inspector

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
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 (v) a copy of a criminal record check or vulnerable sector check, as the case may be.	24(1)(c)(v)	Feb 15, 2023	
Comments: One staff member has an expired CRC and another has a CRC that is not from an approved provider. New CRC checks are required.			
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 (vi) a copy of a check with the Department of Social Development.	24(1)(c)(vi)	Feb 15, 2023	
Comments: One staff member has an expired SD. A new SD check is required.			

<p>General Comments</p> <p>Many changes since my last inspections.</p> <p>Most rooms have been painted with a light gray color which provides a more calming and natural tone to the rooms and the afterschool room has new floor.</p> <p>All rooms have been cleaned, decluttered and re-organized.</p> <p>New shelves, new materials and new furniture has been added in all rooms.</p> <p>In the preschool rooms, the new materials include loose parts, more natural elements such as growing pots, seas shells, wood, items for fine motor such as twist and turn wood building blocks. Some rooms also have new centres set up with new materials, many new area rugs, bookshelves, and new /pretend play areas. The rooms are organized and welcoming.</p> <p>The preschool children were observed doing different activities throughout the day such as playing with snow indoors, painting, crafts, playing with the indoor sand box, pretend play with dolls, pretend play with construction hats, circle time, reading books and building using blocks. The 3/4-year-old were observed practicing words and sounds.</p>

General Comments

Positive child guidance was observed such as gentle reminders about walking, sitting while eating and washing their hands. Educators were also observed talking to the children at their level.

There is evidence of purposely planned programming and there are learning stories and children's art on the walls.

The 4/5-year-olds were watching a movie after lunch. The movie was Monster Inc. Use of television is not recommended and should not be used to fill gaps during the day. In addition, the program and/or movie should support the curriculum. The educator advised Monster Inc was chosen as the letter of the week is M.

The afterschool room has been completely redone with new paint, floors, shelves, storage containers such as crates and new materials. The children have a reading corner with an area rug and some seating, books and puzzles, a dramatic play corner with costumes, a building corner with blocks of different shapes and sizes, some train building sets, a science corner and other toys and materials for all interests. The children are also growing vegetables in pots.

When the afterschool children arrived, they were asked to wash their hands, had lunch and then gathered in a circle to read a book.

The outdoor space was inspected and meets regulation. Some aspects were not inspected such as protective surfacing due to the snow. New play materials were also added outside such as a treehouse, climbing structures and a music corner. Some of the children were sliding with saucers.

The Centre also has a new system they can share information, learning stories and communicate with parents.

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Sabrina Diotte

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

February 01, 2023

Date

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Kristine Schuttenbeld

Signature of Operator/Designate

February 01, 2023

Date