

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 College Hill Early Learning Co-operative Limited		Inspection Date September 03, 2026
Facility Name College Hill Early Learning Co-operative Ltd.		Licence Number 518031
Address 850 Montgomery St Fredericton NB E3B 2X9		Telephone Number (506) 458-2883
Type of Facility Full-time Early Learning and Childcare Centre	Maximum Number of Children 52	Ages of Children INFANTS PRESCHOOL
ELCC Licensing Staff Tanya Gaudet	Position Title Inspector	

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 11, 2026	
Comments: During the inspection, licensing staff observed that mark-making and craft materials were available in the infant classroom; however, the children were unable to access them independently. These materials were stored on a high shelf in the eating area rather than in the play space where children spend most of their time. Please ensure that infants have regular access to a variety of age-appropriate mark-making materials, such as markers, crayons, stampers, and bingo dabbers, within the play area. Materials should be stored in a way that allows children to freely choose and explore them as part of their daily play experiences.			
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 03, 2026	
Comments: Cleaning supplies were observed to be inaccessible to children; however, they were not stored in a cabinet or closet secured with a lock and key. To ensure the safety of children and maintain compliance with regulatory requirements, all cleaning supplies must be stored in a cabinet or closet that is secured with a lock and key and remains inaccessible to children at all times.			
39(2) A licensed facility shall have a separate locked storage space that is inaccessible to the children for each of the following: (b) medications.	39(2)(b)	Sep 03, 2026	
Comments: Medications were observed to be stored in a cabinet secured with a child-safe lock; however, all medications must be stored in a cabinet or closet that is secured with a lock and key. Please ensure all medications are stored in a locked cabinet or closet in accordance with regulatory requirements to maintain the safety of children.			

General Comments
Licensing staff arrived at the licensed facility to conduct the annual License Renewal Inspection. Upon arrival, all children, with the exception of the infants, were outdoors engaged in play within the outdoor learning environments. Once the infants had completed diaper changing routines, they also transitioned outdoors to participate in outdoor play.

General Comments

On the day of the inspection, there was a light rain; however, the weather did not deter the children from enjoying the outdoor environment. Children were observed participating in a variety of activities, including having a dance party, playing in wooden and plastic playhouses, exploring a plastic tunnel, using stationary playground equipment, engaging in water play, riding in Cozy Coupe cars, and filling a dump truck with rocks. The children remained actively engaged outdoors until it was time to return inside to wash their hands and prepare for lunch.

The lunch menu consisted of lasagna, carrots, garlic toast, applesauce, and water. Several children were observed requesting and receiving a second helping of lasagna. Following lunch, the children transitioned to nap and quiet time. After rest time, the children enjoyed their afternoon snack, put on their muddy buddy gear, and returned outdoors for additional play opportunities.

Licensing staff noted that most classrooms contained clearly defined learning centres that supported children's engagement in a variety of play experiences. These centres included cozy corners, dramatic play areas with dolls and related accessories, book centres, building centres with LEGO and wooden blocks, and mark-making and art areas. Most classrooms also displayed multiple examples of documented learning at the children's eye level, allowing them to revisit and reflect on previous learning experiences.

A review of staff files and a sample of children's files was conducted during the inspection. All files reviewed contained the required documentation and were found to be in compliance with regulatory requirements.

Throughout the inspection, educators were observed interacting with children and supporting their learning experiences both indoors and outdoors. Educators engaged with children in a responsive and meaningful manner, encouraging participation, exploration, and learning throughout the day.

Licensing staff had a conversation with the Acting Executive Director regarding the protective surfacing surrounding the stationary equipment within the outdoor learning environment. The Acting Executive Director advised that the management team is currently in the process of obtaining quotes to install additional protective surfacing around the stationary equipment. This work is intended to enhance the safety of children using the outdoor learning environment.

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Tanya Gaudet

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

September 04, 2026

Date

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Jenna Cormier

Signature of Operator/Designated staff

September 04, 2026

Date

"I hereby acknowledge receipt of this report"