

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 520069	Inspection Date June 16, 2022
Facility Name Union Street Preschool Centre		Telephone Number (506) 455-3187
Address 579 Union Street Fredericton NB E3A 3N5		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sabrina Diotte		Position Title Inspector

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
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)	Jun 30, 2022	
<p>Comments: The closet in the after-school room has toxic products such as paint and it was not locked. Toxic products must be lock by key.</p> <p>The toxic products stored under the sink in the kitchen are lock with a lock around the nob. This type of arrangement is not secure, and the lock was easily removed by hand. Therefore, a different lock and key system must be added to ensure the toxic products are actually locked by key and secure.</p> <p>Although bug spray and sunblock don't need to be locked, they must be out of reach of children. In the after school room, the sunblock is stored on a shelf that children can reach.</p>			

<p>General Comments</p> <p>When I arrived, the preschool children were working on their Father's Day gifts and then had snack. Snack was cinnamon buns and strawberries. Following snack, the educator did a stretching activity with them, then they talked about how they were feeling today and then followed by reading a book together. After a few minutes of reading the book, the children were showing signs that they were no longer interested in reading a book, the educator was able to anticipate their needs and adapt her programming based on the children needs and offered for them to go outside instead.</p> <p>The after-school children arrived around 2:00 pm. They came inside to wash their hands and then went back outside to play. Around 3:00 pm they had snack.</p> <p>Positive child guidance was observed in both preschool and after-school groups, such as encouragements, gentle reminders, and acknowledgement of achievements. The educators were engaged with the children, playing with them and conversating with them.</p> <p>The centre is clean and organized. Both rooms are divided if different interest areas including, science, building, arts and crafts, dramatic play and literacy areas.</p> <p>There is a large television in the circle time/reading area of the preschool room. Televisions are not</p>
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General Comments

recommended in Early Learning and Childcare Centres and I would recommend it be removed.

In the first bathroom the changing table is soiled and needs to be washed and disinfected.

The outdoor space is natural and allows for open ended and imaginary play. Before the children played in the open area in the morning, I observed a staff inspect the area to ensure no hazards were present because that part of the playground is not fenced and open to the public to use after hours.

The tires are collecting water; therefore, some holes need to be drilled in them to allow the water to drain out.

Rubber mats are not an approved protective surface for stationary equipment; therefore, they must be removed under the swings, and the mulch needs to be raked to ensure 30 cm's of protective surfacing is present at all times.

The site administrator advised that a new zipline is arriving. Please ensure that the zipline is set up as per manufacturer's instructions and the manual is kept for inspectors to review upon inspection.

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Sabrina Diotte

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

June 16, 2022

Date

original signed by
Ronda Hallihan

Signature of Operator/Designate

June 16, 2022

Date