

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 A 2 Z Learning & Care Centre Limited	Licence Number 2004245	Inspection Date October 11, 2024	
Facility Name A 2 Z Learning & Care Centre		Telephone Number (506) 327-3456	
Address 7 Theater Street Minto NB E4B 3M9			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Laura Casey		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected

General Comments

Upon Licensing staff arrival for the renewal inspection, the children were outdoors playing. With the cooler Fall breeze, hats, mittens, and coats were worn by the children. Educators were spread out and were observed playing Red Light Green Light as well as Hide and Seek with the children. Children were observed collecting leaves, playing with toy dinosaurs, playing together on small teeter totters and in playhouses. Later in the morning, a worm was found and placed in a bucket. The children gathered together, and Educators ensured everyone to have a chance to look at the worm before setting it free in the grass. When coming indoors, each classroom staggered their time which allowed for a smooth transition. Positive words of encouragement and gentle reminders were heard from Educators such as "good job" and "way to go" when changing shoes and hanging up coats.

The indoor classrooms were organized, bright, inviting, and clean. Play material was labelled in easily accessible bins and was in good condition. Current learning stories, weekly planning calendars, children's artwork and photos were posted on the walls. Before lunch, proper handwashing was observed, and Educators were engaged with the children sitting at their level. After lunch, the tables were washed, and floors were swept in preparation for nap time. During nap time, soothing music was played, and the environment in each room was calm with evidence of a daily routine. Shortly after 12:00pm, the school age children arrived and were welcomed when getting off the bus. The school age space was organized by stations with books, boardgames, a cozy space, art supplies and bins of open-ended material.

After lunch, the preschool age children that did not nap played quietly with colourful cotton balls, light bright boards, and colouring pages while the school age children went outdoors to play. The school age outdoor play space was fully fenced, and the children were observed using leaves as money at their "taco stand", building with large wooden blocks and digging with shovels. When returning indoors, a head count was observed as well as proper handwashing before snack time.

During inspection, child and staff files were verified and all required licensing documentation was present. Monthly fire drills and playground maintenance checks are being completed and logged accordingly and the emergency evacuation plans were posted near each entry way.

General Comments

Licensing staff recommends for renewal.

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Laura Casey

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

October 11, 2024

Date

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date