

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 YMCA OF GREATER SAINT JOHN INC.	Licence Number 2007121	Inspection Date August 11, 2021	
Facility Name YMCA OF GREATER SJ MCC AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM		Telephone Number (506) 632-6157	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Breanne Jones		Position Title Inspector	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
21 The daily activities of a licensed facility shall be purposely planned in advance and documented and shall respond to the capabilities, needs and interests of each child.	21	Sep 13, 2021	
Comments: There was either limited or no evidence of the children's learning within all groups of the multipurpose room today. Educators reported some of their plans that have been made for their group related to the specialty camp, but there is no documentation posted or displayed within the environment to demonstrate this. Some educators report that they are implementing activities based on pre planned "themed" weeks. This should not be occurring as the daily activities should be based on the current groups interests.			
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 (ii) the staff member's qualifications including the certificates or training referred to in paragraph 11(b) or (c).	24(1)(c)(ii)	Aug 20, 2021	
Comments: Random review of staff files. ECE certificate missing from one staff file.			
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 (iv) a signed declaration confirming that the staff member has read and understood his or her obligations under the Act and this Regulation.	24(1)(c)(iv)	Aug 20, 2021	
Comments: Random review of staff files. Missing from 2 staff files.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	Aug 20, 2021	

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<p>Comments: Girls washroom: One of the stalls was unclean with wet toilet paper on toilet and a wet floor. Washrooms should be checked after use to ensure cleanliness in between deep cleaning schedule.</p> <p>TV Room -Window ledges have soil present from plants- require cleaning and disinfection.</p> <p>Multipurpose room 3 -Outlet plate broken, needs to be replaced. -Floor is unclean. Snack garbage, hay from guinea pig, dirt and pieces of toys accumulating under shelf and on floor today. Shelves need to be moved so that floor can be cleaned appropriately.</p>			
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Sep 13, 2021	
<p>Comments: School-Age Outdoor Play Area: Small picnic table with broken boards at back of building. To be removed.</p> <p>Playground area: Bench - bolt protruding from back. To be removed promptly. Garbage accumulating throughout playground area and around building/entrance. To be removed. Exploded battery found on playground. Licensing staff removed from outdoor play area and brought to administrator to discard. Ensure staff is completing playground checks and removing garbage and hazards each day before children use playground area. Wooden cribbing surrounding playground is rotting in 2 places. To be replaced.</p> <p>Fencing between preschool outdoor play area and school- age playground is in poor repair. Sharp pieces of fencing protruding and gate will no longer secure. To be repaired.</p>			
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 13, 2021	
<p>Comments: Depleted materials in multipurpose room 1: -Creative art materials to be added to shelf including but not limited to white paper, white glue, collage materials, key chain rings (to support the beaded lace animals that children are creating) -Shelves under books were empty today. What can be added to support the children's interests? -Materials to be added to cozy corner including but not limited to lamps, plants, sensory materials/equipment etc. -Dramatic play materials are limited. What are the children interested in? Dramatic play area should reflect this with materials and equipment being added regularly to support current interests. Children did not appear interested in this area at time of inspection.</p> <p>Depleted materials in multipurpose room 2: -Books are depleted. Books should be added weekly to support that weeks camp interest. -Other materials should be added to the environment based on camp interest that particular week (ex: Nature week should have nature materials set up within the environment to explore)</p> <p>Depleted materials in multipurpose room 3: -Play dough accessories are present, but there was no play dough-to be added. -Air hockey table present but no paddles or puck. Child was observed using another piece of equipment as a paddle as he was interested in using this equipment. -Paper depleted within creative art area. White paper and paper of various shapes, sizes, color and texture to be added.</p>			
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)	Aug 20, 2021	

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<p>Comments: TV Room</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Wooden storage unit and bins accumulating dust and debris. Paint marks to be removed from surface, cleaning and disinfection required. -Rug underneath tent is in poor condition-to be replaced. -Wooden unit with sensory items-sticky and debris accumulating. Requires deep cleaning and disinfection. -Game shelf wood is coming apart on one side-requires minor repairs to stabilize. <p>Storage room containing materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -This room had toys, materials and equipment in piles at time of inspection. Educators are not able to access materials due to accumulating clutter and disorganization. To be cleaned, disinfected and organized so that educators can access materials in order to purposefully plan for their environments. <p>Gym equipment room</p> <p>Accumulating dirt, debris and broken equipment. Requires deep cleaning. Children must not be in equipment room until deep clean is completed.</p> <p>Gym</p> <p>Bottom of rock wall - wood splintering. To be repaired.</p> <p>Multipurpose room 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mop bucket with cloth/cleaning solution was left on floor within this space throughout lunch time. this must be removed from children's play space once staff are done cleaning. <p>Multipurpose room 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Divider wall was unclean, requires cleaning and disinfection. -Play food in poor repair, to be replaced. -Top of art shelf is unclean and requires deep cleaning. <p>Multipurpose room 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Beyblade stadium is in poor repair, to be replaced. -Shelving is unclean, cluttered and disorganized. There is spilled baking soda on the shelf. -Writing table is unclean and requires deep cleaning. -Clutter accumulating under air hockey table, to be organized and displayed appropriately. 			
33(2) Stationary equipment in the outdoor play area shall be surrounded by a protective surfacing and installed according to the manufacturer's instructions.	33(2)	Sep 13, 2021	
<p>Comments: Surfacing is inadequate under swings and circular monkey bars. To be replenished.</p> <p>Yellow stand up twisting piece of equipment - metal bar exposed underneath. Surfacing to be replenished.</p> <p>Surfacing around main playground equipment is beginning to pool under the structure. Ensure surfacing is raked frequently to ensure adequate surfacing in all fall zones and at bottom of slides.</p>			
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)	Aug 13, 2021	
<p>Comments: Custodian closet containing cleaning supplies and toxic products was left open and unlocked during time of inspection. This was brought to administrator's attention and locked up at time of inspection.</p>			

General Comments

Renewal inspection completed today.

Educators were observed greeting and welcoming the children in a positive manner. All groups of children spent time indoors and outdoors today. Lunch time, snack time and hand washing routines was observed at time of inspection.

Some children were observed making forts outdoors (nature camp), creating cozy spaces indoors using classroom materials (blocks, Lego, books, etc.) and engaged in creative art.

General Comments

Next steps:

- Ensure that the environment reflects the interests of the children by adding materials and props.
- Set up open ended invitations for the children to explore throughout the day in various interest centers to prompt curiosity and interest.
- Posting photos of the children and documented evidence (ex: photos of their forts, displaying their art work and projects, etc.) of their learning

Healthy lunch and snacks were served today. The children were heard commenting about how much they enjoyed their hot lunch.

The room behind the front desk is currently being used as a staff room/storage room. This area was cluttered and disorganized today and in need of cleaning and care. Guinea pig and hamster were also being kept within this room today.

Ensure all staff files are completed before they begin work. This has been an ongoing order for compliance.

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Breanne Jones

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

August 11, 2021

Date

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Angela O'Quinn

Signature of Operator/Designate

August 11, 2021

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