

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 Start Smart Family Learning Center Inc.	Licence Number 2010207	Inspection Date November 21, 2022
Facility Name Start Smart Family Learning Centre		Telephone Number (506) 363-3765
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Joanne Voyer Page		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

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: (b) child records that include: (v) the child's health history and a copy of the record of immunizations or a copy of an exemption.	24(1)(b)(v)	Dec 02, 2022	
Comments: After reviewing child files, it was determined one or more child files were missing a copy of the immunization record.			
46(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall only administer medication to a child receiving services at the licensed facility in the following cases: (c) if the medication is not prescribed, the medication is (i) in the original container with the original label, (ii) in a container with child protective caps (iii) labelled with the child's name and the dosage.	46(1)(c)	Nov 21, 2022	Nov 21, 2022
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant. As per discussed with the administrator, it was observed by licensing staff that over the counter medication was being stored locked but the medication was not in the original container. I directed the Administrator to return this over-the-counter medication to the parents. Licensing staff observed the medication was returned during the inspection visit.			
47(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall refuse admission to a child if satisfactory proof of the immunizations required by the Public Health Act or the regulations under that Act is not provided.	47(1)	Dec 02, 2022	
Comments: As indicated, immunization records are required as per section 47 (1) of the Regulations in the child file.			

<p>General Comments</p> <p>Annual renewal inspection performed.</p> <p>Upon arrival all preschool age children were observed in outdoor play. Children and Educators were dressed appropriately for the weather which has cooled down considerably since last week. Everyone (staff and children) was wearing boots, hats, winter jackets mitts etc. The educators were unable to unlock the storage building. The lock was frozen. De icer maybe required or a new lock so the outdoor play area is set up and ready before children enter the play area. This will require some planning by the Educators in the AM.</p> <p>Positive child guidance was observed - staff were kind and offered assistance "do you need help". They were observed speaking to the children by kneeling down at their eye level and educators included children in the conversation by asking each child to talk about what they did on the weekend. During the conversational circle time, licensing staff suggests that Educators assign children to a letter on the mat. This might alleviate any</p>

General Comments

issues with children crowding each other and help the children move freely without bumping into their friends during an activity. What a great movement activity that educators created to get children active indoors. Another suggestion to build on language development is to extend learning by placing pictures of objects beside the written word on the shelves. A few labels have fallen off the shelves and need relabeled. The indoor play area is safely maintained, clean, neatly organized and all toys, equipment, and materials are accessible to the children. Licensing staff observed open ended materials, blocks, books, kitchen centre book corner, table toys etc - sufficient quantity of toys are available for children to have lots of choices.

All children were observed sitting down to eat lunch followed by a nap, however children are not forced to nap though everyone lays down on a mat in the beginning. Those that only lay down for a short time are permitted to get up and move around and play quietly. Educators were also observed sitting with the children eating lunch and at naptime. All children were observed getting up from nap before I headed down to the afterschool centre.

The afterschool program has grown leaps and bounds. Enrolment has increased. This is great news! Today, school age group were involved in some fun age-appropriate activities - polly pocket travel houses, barbies, lego etc. The educators are waiting for 1 other child, then they will eat snack, play with board games, work on homework then outside play. Lots of board game choices are available allowing children choices.

Administrative records were reviewed - financial records, staff and child records are in order with exception of a few files missing immunization records noted above. Incident reports are completed and signed so parents have been made aware, fire drills practiced monthly and with the school, and outdoor check list completed monthly.

As per discussed an Operator (Board of Directors) for a not-for-profit centre shall obtain a CRC/VSC and a check with the Department of Social Development. These checks are completed at least every 5 years. This must be verified by licensing staff on or before January 1, 2023.

Once above compliances have been verified, this ELC Facility will be recommended for licensing.

original signed by
Joanne Voye Page

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

November 21, 2022

Date

original signed by
Lisa Hill

Signature of Operator/Designate

November 21, 2022

Date