

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 Christine Arseneault	Licence Number 2012083	Inspection Date April 16, 2024
Facility Name Little Miracles Day Care/La garderie des petits miracles		Telephone Number (506) 524-9408
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sarah MacDougall-LeBlanc		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	Apr 30, 2024	
Comments: Inspector was able to see the programming of the daily activities for the previous weeks. However, Inspector was unable to see the documentation of the programming for this week. Operator must ensure that the daily programming be documented.			
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: (ii) the name, address and telephone number of the child's medical practitioner.	24(1)(b)(ii)	Apr 30, 2024	
Comments: 2 of the children's records are missing the full address of the medical practitioner. Operator contacted the parents during the inspection in order to obtain the required information. Operator must ensure that the information is added to the children's records.			
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: (iv) the name, address and telephone number of at least two individuals authorized by the child's parent or guardian to pick up the child and to be contacted in case of an emergency if the parent or guardian cannot be reached,	24(1)(b)(iv)	Apr 30, 2024	
Comments: 1 of the children's records is missing the full address of the emergency contacts and 1 file is missing the postal code of the emergency contacts' address. Operator contacted the parents during the inspection in order to obtain the required information. Operator must ensure that the information is added to the children's records.			
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: (f) daily attendance records of the children on forms provided by the Minister.	24(1)(f)	Apr 16, 2024	
Comments: Inspector observed that the absence codes indicating the reason for the child's absence are not consistently indicated on the daily attendance record. Operator must ensure that all required information be indicated on the daily attendance records.			
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Apr 23, 2024	

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<p>Comments: Inspector observed 1 ripped chair on the porch outside. Operator indicates that they are aware that it must be thrown out. Operator must ensure that this removed from the outdoor play area to ensure the safety of children.</p>			
<p>37 An operator of a licensed facility shall not permit a child receiving services at the licensed facility access to the kitchen unless the child is supervised.</p>	37	Apr 16, 2024	Apr 16, 2024
<p>Comments: During the renewal inspection, Inspector observed 2 children sitting at the kitchen table waiting to eat lunch while the Operator was in the washroom with two other children. The washroom door was closed, therefore 2 children had access to the kitchen while unsupervised. Inspector also observed the Operator leave the children in the kitchen unattended in order for her to get the children's rest mats set up for nap time. Inspector reminded Operator that it is not permitted to leave the children in the kitchen unattended. Operator immediately returned to the kitchen. Deficiency is now compliant</p> <p>During the inspection, Operator advised Inspector that a washroom is currently being built next to the indoor play area. Once this is complete, the children will no longer be using the Operator's personal kitchen and washroom, as lunch and snack will occur in the daycare portion of her home.</p>			
<p>40(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that personal belongings of a child receiving services at the licensed facility that are brought to the licensed facility, including combs, brushes, toothbrushes, towels, washcloths, bedding, pacifiers and soothers, are (a) labelled with the name of the child.</p>	40(1)(a)	Apr 16, 2024	Apr 16, 2024
<p>Comments: 3 children's bottles are not labelled with their names. Operator added this information immediately. Deficiency is now compliant</p>			
<p>48(2) An operator of a licensed facility may supply food to a child receiving services at the licensed facility that a parent or guardian of the child brings from the child's home if the food is labelled with the child's name and refrigerated, as required.</p>	48(2)	Apr 16, 2024	Apr 16, 2024
<p>Comments: 1 of the children's lunch boxes is not labelled with the child's name. Operator added the child's name on the lunch box immediately. Deficiency is now compliant</p>			

General Comments

During the renewal inspection, Inspector observed that the children were making a craft with regards to the solar eclipse. Operator indicates that the children have shown an interest in space, therefore the Operator plans on implementing more activities with regards to this theme. Inspector observed the documentation of children's learnings by seeing crafts on the walls as well as pictures of the children doing various activities. Inspector observed the Operator get down on the children's level to interact with them, help children when needed all while encouraging their independence.

Operator indicates that as the ground is still unthawing, the protective surfacing for the stationary equipment has not yet been tilled. Operator indicates that this will be done as soon as possible. A conversation was had between the Operator and the Inspector regarding a play structure that has been installed on pavement. Inspector recommends that Operator verify the manufacturer's manual to see if a protective surfacing is required for this type of equipment.

Operator must ensure that the Quality Assurance Monitor's (QAM) contact information is up to date on the parent board. Inspector provided Operator with the current QAM's contact information.

A discussion was had between the Operator and the Inspector with regards to modifications that must be made to the Parent Handbook. Operator must provide parents and the inspector with a new copy of the handbook.

Ratio is respected during the time of the inspection.

original signed by

Sarah MacDougall-LeBlanc

April 16, 2024

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

original signed by
Christine Arseneault

Signature of Operator/Designate

April 16, 2024

Date