



Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Monitoring 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 Divine Mercy Early Learning Center	Licence Number 2013382	Inspection Date September 11, 2024
Facility Name Divine Mercy Early Learning Center		Telephone Number (506) 642-8122
Address 30 Douglas St Saint John NB E2K 0G5		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Cathleen LeBlanc		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
25 An operator of a licensed facility shall post in a clearly visible and prominent place on the premises: (e) the name and telephone number of the inspector. Comments: Deficiency is now compliant	25(e)	Mar 19, 2024	May 08, 2024
28(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall carry out emergency evacuation and fire drills monthly. Comments: Deficiency is now compliant	28(2)	Mar 29, 2024	May 08, 2024
31(6) The outdoor play area of a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre at which services are provided to infants or preschool children shall be enclosed with a fence at least 1.22 m in height with a gate that is secured at all times when the children are present. Comments: Deficiency is now compliant	31(6)	Apr 12, 2024	May 08, 2024
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. Comments: School Aged Rooms - The two afterschool rooms were observed. One room had dolls, doll accessories, a puzzle, Little People and house, paper and mark making materials, and books. The other room had a large container of Lego, Chess, and books. As for materials, this is a good start, but more materials are required. When adding materials and activities to the school-age classrooms, ensure to include the items listed on pages 157 - 173 of the operator's manual – Appendix 24 – Equipment and Materials for School-age Children.	32(1)(a)	Sep 30, 2024	
33(2) Stationary equipment in the outdoor play area shall be surrounded by a protective surfacing and installed according to the manufacturer's instructions. Comments: Deficiency is now compliant	33(2)	Mar 19, 2024	May 08, 2024

<p>General Comments</p> <p>A Monitoring Inspection was completed this afternoon.</p> <p>The preschoolers were observed in their classroom, during free play. Children were observed sitting at a long</p>
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table, playing with Play Doh and Play Doh accessories. An educator was observed reading to the children, while the children created their Play Doh creations. Several well-defined learning / play areas were observed within the preschool classroom - dramatic play, building, arts & crafts, and a reading area. Two sensory tables were observed, one with rocks and toy vehicles, and the other with colored rice and plastic dishes. Several forms of documentation were observed - children's photos, children's artwork, and individual binders with children's artwork. A conversation was had regarding the outdated framed artwork. Administrator stated that the pictures within these frames would be updated.

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When adding materials and activities to the school-age classrooms, ensure to include the items that are listed on pages 157 - 173 of the Operator's Manual – Appendix 24 – Equipment and Materials for School-age Children. School-aged play areas should minimally include the following: An art and creative area, science and nature area, a block and construction area, dramatic play and housekeeping area, a quiet reading area, fine motor / manipulative area for scientific and mathematical investigation and measurement, space and equipment for large motor play, sand and water play, and music and movement.

It is recommended that the children be split by ages (K-2 in one room and 3-5 in the other room). A further discussion will be had with administrators regarding today's groupings.

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Cathleen LeBlanc

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

September 11, 2024

Date

original signed by
Carla Wetmore

Signature of Operator/Designate

September 11, 2024

Date