

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 Cassel Enterprises Ltd.	Licence Number 2014609	Inspection Date October 27, 2022
Facility Name Hands On Learning Center Moncton Preschool		Telephone Number (506) 877-4263
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Erin MacLaggan		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (b) arranged on low, open shelves and accessible to the children receiving services at the licensed facility,	32(1)(b)	Oct 31, 2022	
Comments: In one room there are no art materials available on a low, open shelf. All materials must be available for children to allow for independent selection. QA Monitor discussed with the educators how they can safely offer art materials to this group, an appropriately sized small table and chairs should be added to the room so that children can choose materials and sit at a table. QA Monitor recommends that educators consult the NB Curriculum Support Document "Our Youngest Children" for more ideas on how to create an environment that reflects an image of the children as creative, capable and co-constructors of their classroom.			
33(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide outdoor play area materials and equipment that are varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	33(1)	Oct 31, 2022	
Comments: There is an insufficient variety and amount of play materials in the outdoor play areas. In the infant area, the infants have ride-on and push toys, but the playhouse has no accessories and there are 3 sand toys, but no shovels or buckets in the sandbox. In the larger preschool play area there was one shovel, one rake and one bucket in the sandbox. Several trucks and wagons but no additional tools to use to shovel or scoop sand. The Operator must ensure that a variety of play materials are offered in a quantity sufficient for the number of children present. The Operator must provision the outdoor play area as an extension of the indoor play environment, providing many of the same opportunities, including space for creative, quiet, pretend and sensory experiences. See Operator Manual Section 9.3.2 Outdoor play area materials and equipment and refer to the NB Curriculum Framework for additional information and examples of outdoor play areas.			

General Comments The QA Monitor observed that all groups of children were in the outdoor play area during the monitoring inspection. Two educators were observed kicking a soccer ball with a group of infants, gently kicking to them and encouraging the infants to kick it back. The lunch served reflects the posted menu, fish and fries with vegetables and milk.
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original signed by
Erin MacLaggan

October 28, 2022

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

original signed by
Lisa Greene

October 28, 2022

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date