

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 686127 NB INC.	Licence Number 2016344	Inspection Date December 16, 2021	
Facility Name RIVER VALLEY PRESCHOOL & DAYCARE		Telephone Number (506) 738-8103	
Address 24 Epworth Park Grand Bay-Westfield NB E5K 1W3			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Britta Garnett		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
10(6) The number of children grouped at a full-time or part-time early learning and child- care centre shall not be more than the number that requires two educators.	10(6)	Dec 17, 2021	
Comments: Maximum group size exceeded during inspection this morning. The right side of the facility had the amount of children that requires three educators. The left side of the facility was closed. Maximum group size must not exceed two educators.			
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 and shall include (a) time and space for and a free choice of play experiences for exploration and discovery.	21(a)	Dec 24, 2021	
Comments: Upon arrival (10:00am) this morning it was observed that the dramatic play area, open ended art area and the music/gross motor room were closed. The 20 children were not permitted to explore these areas. Children must be permitted to explore their environment and engage in free choice of materials. Once the interest centers opened (11:00am) educators were observed limiting the amount of children engaging within each center. Interest centers to be flexible and allow for expansion of space to accommodate all children that are interested in playing in that area. Discussed with educators and supervisor during inspection.			
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 and shall include (c) opportunities (iii) to express creativity and interests.	21(c)(iii)	Dec 20, 2021	
Comments: Open ended art area inaccessible to children this morning. Open ended art materials to be accessible to allow children to explore and create.			
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: (i) the child's name, address, birth date and Medicare number,	24(1)(b)(i)	Dec 24, 2021	
Comments: One child file missing Medicare number and expiry date. To be added to file. Random review of files.			
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: (vii) documentary evidence of the child's learning.	24(1)(b)(vii)	Jan 17, 2022	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
Comments: Documentary evidence of children's learning not current. Documentation to support current interests, experiences and learning of each child.			
28(3) The premises of a licensed facility shall comply with (a) lighting, ventilation and other general health standards under the Public Health Act.	28(3)(a)	Dec 17, 2021	
Comments: Children's facemasks hanging together on hooks and laying on top of shelving. To be stored separately and labeled.			
29 An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that the traffic area and the outdoor walk-ways of the licensed facility are free from obstructions and hazards.	29	Dec 16, 2021	
Comments: Back exit, stairs accumulating clutter; shoes, large bottles of bleach and other materials stored on stairs of the emergency exit. Hazards to be removed. Discussed that this needs immediate attention with supervisor on site during inspection.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	Jan 17, 2022	
Comments: Clutter accumulating on tops of shelving, window ledges, cubbies and counter tops. To be decluttered and free of extra materials. Numerous aquariums have been added to the indoor play area causing crowding of furniture and impeding on measured play space. Discussed with supervisor on site today. Popcorn machine stored in indoor play area - unclean. To be removed from play space.			
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)	Dec 16, 2021	
Comments: Multiple large bottles of bleach stored on stairs of back fire exit, behind door with child deterrent lock on doorknob. Toxic products must be stored in a space that is locked by lock and key. These products must be moved to another area as this door can not be locked.			

General Comments
<p>Renewal Inspection:</p> <p>Children observed during indoor play, lunch and washroom routines this morning. Educators observed engaging in conversations and play at the children's level.</p> <p>The block area is set up with a variety of different types of blocks, vehicles, books and props. This area invites children to explore building and play with their peers.</p> <p>Hand washing routines observed.</p> <p>Random review of staff files. All files maintained and complete.</p> <p>Monthly fire drills documented.</p> <p>Maintenance staff observed without facemask on within indoor play area. Facemasks required for all staff except the consistent educators with the group of children.</p>

original signed by
Britta Garnett

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

December 16, 2021

Date

original signed by
Op did not return report

December 16, 2021

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date