

## 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.

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| Name of operator<br>SPRING ROOTS EARLY LEARNING AND<br>CHILDCARE CENTRE INC. | Licence Number<br>2016842 | Inspection Date<br>February 03, 2025        |  |
| Facility Name<br>Spring Roots Early Learning & Childcare Centre              |                           | Telephone Number<br>(506) 455-3222          |  |
| Address<br>143 Douglas Avenue Fredericton NB E3A 2N8                         |                           |   |  |
| Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff<br>Lindsay Lewis        |                           | Position Title<br>Quality Assurance Monitor |  |

| Order for Compliance   | Regulation | Date to be corrected | Date corrected |
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| 30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.   | 30(3)      | Feb 03, 2025         | Feb 03, 2025   |
| <p>Comments: Downstairs in the 4's classroom a large metal space heater was being used. The space heater was in the middle of the classroom on the floor, turned on high with glowing red elements. Space heaters are a fire hazard and not to be used in the classrooms.</p> <p>As per the Change in Service Inspection following the renovations, the pocket door is not to be locked by the overhead wooden dowels at any time. All classroom doors are to remain unlocked, and windows are to be accessible for exit should there be a fire.</p> <p>The space heater was shut off and removed from the classroom and the pocket door was opened and unlocked.</p> <p>Deficiency is now compliant</p> |            |                      |                |
| 9(1) The child-to-staff ratio is one educator for each of the following groups of children of the same age receiving services at a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre: (a) three infants or fewer; (b) five children or fewer who are two years of age; (c) eight children or fewer who are three years of age; (d) ten children or fewer who are four years of age or older, but who are not yet attending school; and (e) 15 school-age children or fewer.   | 9(1)       | Feb 03, 2025         | Feb 03, 2025   |
| <p>Comments: Ratio in the Infant room was not met during nap time. 6 Infants were awake in one room with two Educators while two infants were sleeping on cots unsupervised in another room. Children sleeping on cots are to be supervised at all times.</p> <p>Ratio in the 3's room was not maintained during nap time.</p> <p>A conversation was had with the Operator about maintaining ratio at all times. During the Monitoring inspection child-to-staff ratio was corrected.</p> <p>Deficiency is now compliant</p>   |            |                      |                |

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| 9(5) The number of children grouped at a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre shall not be more than the number that requires two educators.   | 9(5)       | Feb 03, 2025         | Feb 03, 2025   |
| Comments: The two 2-year-old classrooms were combined during nap time. This exceeds the maximum number of children per group.<br><br>A conversation was had with the Operator about exceeding maximum group size. During Monitoring Inspection, the group size was corrected.<br><br>Deficiency is now compliant |            |                      |                |

| General Comments   |
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| <p>Licensing Staff arrived at the facility to perform a Monitoring Inspection. Upon arrival, all rooms were having quiet time. Ratio in the Infants and the 3's classroom was not met. The two 2-year-old classrooms had combined during nap time, exceeding the maximum group size. A conversation was had with the Operator about maintaining ratio in all rooms at all times.</p> <p>Downstairs in the 4-year-old classroom, the child were engaged in a variety of tabletop activities. A small group of children were observed coloring and practicing using scissors. Another small group was observed sitting together looking through I-Spy books. A lot of changes have been made downstairs since the last Monitoring Inspection. The room is bright and inviting. The classroom offers soft lighting through sting lights and lamps. A large world map and flags were displayed on a wall. This year the children have set up a pen pal program with children from Bosnia. A small write up was posted describing the partnership they have.</p> <p>Hand washing was observed in all classrooms before the children sat down for afternoon snack. Educators were observed sitting with the children as they ate and were engaged in conversation. The afternoon snack that was served matched what was posted on the menu. Once the children had finished with their snack, children were seen building with wooden blocks, sitting and reading books with an Educator and listening to music.</p> <p>Positive child guidance was observed in all classrooms during today's Monitoring Inspection. The rooms are clean, organized and bright. Purposeful planning is evident in all classrooms. Age-appropriate artwork, learning stories and pictures were observed. The rooms offer a variety of wooden materials such as wooden ice cream shop, play kitchens and loose parts such as wooden discs, acorns and blocks.</p> |

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Lindsay Lewis

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

February 03, 2025

Date

original signed by  
Holly Flores

Signature of Operator/Designate

February 03, 2025

Date