



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 YMCA of Southwestern New Brunswick Inc.	Licence Number 2016892	Inspection Date July 21, 2025
Facility Name YMCA - South Hub - PreK and ASP	Telephone Number (506) 646-2106	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Aimee Hanson	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	Jul 30, 2025	
<p>Comments: Purposefully planned and documented programming was not observed within the indoor environment. The absence of visible planning materials, activity schedules, or documentation of intentional learning experiences suggests a lack of structured programming.</p> <p>Examples of missing elements may include: daily or weekly activity plans posted or accessible, evidence of curriculum-based learning opportunities, documentation of developmental goals or learning outcomes, visual displays of children's work linked to planned activities, learning materials set up to support specific developmental domains It is recommended that programming be clearly documented and visibly implemented to support intentional, developmentally appropriate learning experiences.</p>			
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)	Jul 30, 2025	
Comments:			
50(2) The operator of a licensed facility shall inform the parent or guardian of a child involved in an incident on the day the incident takes place and shall ensure that the parent or guardian signs the daily log to confirm their awareness.	50(2)	Jul 30, 2025	
Comments: A total of nine incident reports were found unsigned by parents/guardians. It is required that all incident reports be reviewed and signed by parents/guardians at the time of pick-up each day to ensure proper communication and documentation.			

General Comments
A renewal inspection was conducted today July,15/2025. Children were observed engaging in activities across both indoor and outdoor environments. Educators had thoughtfully prepared a variety of materials to support child-led exploration and learning. Indoor invitations included: -a sensory table filled with grass and water

General Comments

-a designated reading and quiet area
-an art station equipped with a range of materials such as pompoms, crayons, glue, paper, and pencil crayons
The learning environment would benefit from more intentional and purposeful planning based on the children's current interests. At the time of the visit, there was no visible documentation reflecting the children's ongoing work, interests, or recent learning experiences. Incorporating documentation that showcases children's voices, ideas, and developmental progress can enhance engagement and support reflective practice among educators. During outdoor play, children were actively engaged in a range of gross motor activities, including climbing on the play structure, using the swing set, and participating in games such as tag. These activities support physical development and promote social interaction. To further enhance the outdoor learning environment, it is recommended that additional open-ended materials and resources be introduced. These could provide broader opportunities for imaginative play, problem-solving, and collaborative learning.
Suggested materials include:
-trucks and shovels for sensory and imaginative play
-bubbles for sensory exploration and fine motor development
-art materials to encourage creativity outdoors
-books to support literacy in a natural setting
-hula hoops to promote coordination and physical activity
Attendance records were observed, complete and up to date. However, a total of nine incident reports dating back to June 9, 2025, were found unsigned by parents on the clipboard.
Licensing acknowledges that there has not been consistent staffing in the room. Nonetheless, it is essential that parents are notified of any incidents involving their child and that their signatures are obtained at pick-up to confirm awareness and acknowledgment.
A full review of all staff files was conducted, along with a random review of children's files. All documentation was found to be complete and in compliance.
The parent information board was observed and contained all required postings, including the current license, monitoring inspection reports, renewal reports, contact information, allergy alerts, and evacuation procedures. It was discussed with administration that, while the board is comprehensive, it is recommended to lower it to eye level to improve accessibility, as it is currently positioned quite high on the wall.

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Aimee Hanson

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

July 15, 2025

Date

original signed by
Jenna Moore

Signature of Operator/Designate

July 15, 2025

Date