

## 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 Jill Walker	Licence Number 2018194	Inspection Date November 29, 2021
Facility Name Bluebell Montessori		Telephone Number (506) 454-5558
Address 177 Argyle St Fredericton NB E3B 1T6		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Megan Munden		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
10(1) The number of educators that are required for a group of children of mixed ages receiving services at a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre is calculated as follows: (a) by multiplying the number of children of the same age by the corresponding factor set out in Schedule A; and (b) by adding the results obtained under paragraph (a).	10(1)	Nov 29, 2021	
Comments: Ratios must be maintained at all times. This includes the educator to staff ratio and the amount of children permitted to be in each room.			
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)	Nov 29, 2021	
Comments: Please see comment below			
37 An operator of a licensed facility shall not permit a child receiving services at the licensed facility access to the kitchen unless the child is supervised.	37	Nov 29, 2021	
Comments: While visiting the facility, children were using the kitchen and its two doors as a pass through to get to the other rooms. Please ensure that children are not unsupervised in the kitchen at any time.			

<p><b>General Comments</b></p> <p><b>Follow-up Monitoring Visit</b></p> <p>Upon my arrival this morning, the back playroom/lunchroom was not being used. Twenty-two children were in the front Montessori classrooms and these spaces were over the maximum number of children allowed. The operator opened the back room but children continued to freely choose different rooms which caused there to be more children in certain rooms than what the room is measured for.</p> <p>In addition, children were travelling through the unsupervised kitchen to get to the other rooms. While the kitchen is a safe space, free of hazards and used for supervised activities at a small table, children are not permitted to go through there unsupervised.</p> <p>The operator is going to make some framed posters for the walls indicating the maximum number of children that can be in each room. She is also going to have her circle time outside since no one room in the centre</p>
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General Comments

allows for more than 8 children. She is continuing to think of ways to maintain ratios and room capacity at all times while still allowing educators to engage with the children.

As well, upon my arrival, some children were being asked to return the babies to "where they belong," The children had them in the cozy reading area and were pretending to read them a story. While the programming of this centre is Montessori inspired and includes many elements of science, arts, literature and exploration, children must also have opportunities to express their interests with the materials.

The centre continues to be clean, bright and well organized. Vaccine compliance was checked but please fill out the template that was sent or create one that includes all required information such as date of last dose and date that the vaccine record was observed by the operator.

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Megan Munden

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Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

November 29, 2021

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Date

original signed by  
Jill Walker

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Signature of Operator/Designate

November 29, 2021

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Date