

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 Jill Walker	Licence Number 2018194	Inspection Date July 29, 2022	
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 Sabrina Diotte		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
11(c)(ii) The qualifications and training requirements for administrators and educators are as follows: (c) at a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre, (ii) on and after July 1, 2020, (A) at least 50% of educators must hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate or training that is equivalent in the opinion of the Minister, and (B) an administrator must hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate or training that is equivalent in the opinion of the Minister.	11(c)(ii)	Aug 31, 2022	
Comments: To meet this regulation, come September , three of your staff members must have their Early Learning and Childhood Certificate or an equivalency approved by the Department and the Administrator must have her Early Learning and Childhood Certificate or an equivalency approved by the department. Please submit your equivalency requests forms to the Department for review.			
25 An operator of a licensed facility shall post in a clearly visible and prominent place on the premises: (c) instructions regarding evacuation in case of a fire as approved by the fire marshal, deputy fire marshal or fire prevention officer.	25(c)	Aug 31, 2022	
Comments: Evacuation procedures were posted but in the kitchen. As per section 10.7.1 of the Operator Manual, emergency evacuation plans must be posted in a visible location at each exit and on each level of the centre. Please ensure a copy of your evacuation plane is clearly posted at each emergency exit door.			
25 An operator of a licensed facility shall post in a clearly visible and prominent place on the premises: (d) the name of the administrator.	25(d)	Aug 31, 2022	
Comments: Although all items that must be posted are posted on a bulletin board, the bulletin board is located in the kitchen which is not a prominent place were parents or anyone entering the building would have access to it. The intent of this regulation is for parents, staff members and anyone entering the facility are aware of the licence status and important information about the facility. Therefore, the information board must be moved near the entrance where parents pick up the children.			
31(4) An operator shall ensure that the outdoor play area of a licensed facility (b) consists of more than one surface to permit different types of play.	31(4)(b)	Aug 31, 2022	
Comments: Surfaces must be at ground level. Play equipment or material is not considered a surface. There is currently only pea gravel, therefore, the Operator advised she will add a sand box under the slide structure for a second play surface.			

General Comments

When I arrived one group was eating snack and the other was doing some art. The theme of the camp this week is Art. Around 11:15 the children came together as one group for circle time and then went outside until lunch.

The centre is clean and organized. Different types of Montessori materials are available to the children such as materials for literacy, science and arts.

The atmosphere is quiet and calm, the children move freely and calmly from one activity to another.

Positive child guidance was observed such as gentle reminders, encouragements, and positive reinforcement. Staff were observed speaking to children at their level with a calm tone.

The staff promote an environment that encourages positive behavior by allowing the children enough time for activities, by preparing the children for transition, involving them by given them responsibilities that are age appropriate and allowing them to help, use positive language when interacting with them and by respecting children's feelings.

Fire drills and first aid kit inspections must be done monthly. Today is the last day of July, please ensure those are completed today.

original signed by
Sabrina Diotte

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

July 29, 2022

Date

original signed by
Jill Walker

Signature of Operator/Designate

July 29, 2022

Date