

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 Little Land Learning Centre Inc.	Licence Number 2018342	Inspection Date September 26, 2023	
Facility Name Little Land Learning Centre		Telephone Number (506) 458-5552	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sabrina Diotte		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	Oct 11, 2023	
Comments: Although each classroom has a programming folder for each day of the week, some classroom's programming is dated back to June. There is no evidence of recent pre-planned and or completed programming. In addition, floating staff don't do programming when the main educator is absent. As discussed previously, classrooms cannot be disrupted because of staff shortages and inconsistencies. Programming must be pre-planned, completed and evidence of learning must be documented. Floating staff must be provided with the education and knowledge to plan and do programming, especially when the main educator will be absent for a long period.			
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: (iv) the name, address and telephone number of at least two individuals authorized by the child's parent or guardian to pick up the child and to be contacted in case of an emergency if the parent or guardian cannot be reached,	24(1)(b)(iv)	Oct 11, 2023	
Comments: Six child files either only had one emergency contact or were missing both. All children must have two emergency contacts.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	Oct 11, 2023	
Comments: In the hallway near the bathrooms there are multiple screws that are sticking out of the wall that must be removed. There are also two screws sticking out of the wall in the infant room that must be removed. The nap room is again being used as a storage space and needs to be cleaned up. The table with the refrigerator is cluttered with empty bottles, used fabric sheets, materials, binders etc. If that corner needs to be used for staff materials, then it should be cleaned up, shelves in the corner used accordingly and I would recommend adding another shelf in that corner so that staff can use it to store their supplies. There is an art supply shelf in the classroom that is tall and not secured to the wall and poses a risk of fallen on the children. In addition, there are large bins full of paint on top of that shelf and could also fall on the children. A reminder that the top of the half walls and the top of cabinets and shelves in classrooms are not a place to store things and clutter.			

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32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (a) varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	32(1)(a)	Oct 11, 2023	
Comments: Kindergarten Crossing is disorganized, lack materials and has diminished in quality since my last visit. Many empty bins, missing parts, and lack of materials in all mandatory categories. The room needs to be brought back to meeting regulations and as per the requirements of the NB Curriculum Framework.			
47(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall refuse admission to a child if satisfactory proof of the immunizations required by the Public Health Act or the regulations under that Act is not provided.	47(1)	Oct 11, 2023	
Comments: Two children were missing immunization records or the completed waver form.			

<p>General Comments</p> <p>The 2-year-old classrooms are clean and organized. The materials are labelled in wicker baskets and there are materials for all mandatory categories.</p> <p>The bathrooms were clean. There is still a challenge with diaper changes and hand washing when its one educator with all the children of their group. There is usually an extra staff on site to help but today there was no extra staff. I would recommend small benches along the wall of the bathroom, so children are not sitting on the floor of the bathroom as it's not sanitary.</p> <p>The children came in from outside and many were crying and showing signs of being tired and hitting each other. This caused a lot of difficulties for staff to get diaper change completed and get them set up for lunch. If this is a regular occurrence, I would recommend adjusting the schedule by 30 minutes, so the children are not so tired coming back from outside.</p> <p>The staff working in the 3-year-old room got overwhelmed more than once throughout the morning and into lunch time and had to be replaced and moved to a different room. Although some days can be challenging, staff must be able to control their emotions and do their work.</p> <p>The playground was inspected, it's clean and organized. Materials are in good repair. There is a new sandbox and shade structure added to the infant playground.</p> <p>Child profiles must be completed in full. Many were missing information such as living arrangements and/or child development information. You must ensure that parents are completed the forms in full.</p>
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Sabrina Diotte

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

October 13, 2023

Date

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Signed report not returned

Signature of Operator/Designate

October 13, 2023

Date