

## 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 Mother's Care Education Center Inc.	Licence Number 2018829	Inspection Date December 03, 2021	
Facility Name Preschool in the Park		Telephone Number (506) 454-7235	
Address Unit 200 30 Knowledge Park Drive Fredericton NB E3C 2R2			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Tanya Gaudet		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)	Dec 30, 2021	
Comments: While conducting the licensing renewal inspection, licensing staff note that the named administrator and 50 % of staff do not hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate or training that is equivalent in the opinion of the Minister.			
12(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall obtain a criminal record check or a vulnerable sector check, as the case may be, and a check with the Department of Social Development at least every five years.	12(1)	Dec 03, 2021	
Comments: While licensing staff was reviewing staff files, it was noted that some files did not have all of the required documentation. When this was brought to the attention of the operator, the operator relayed to licensing staff that all files were complete for past inspections however, she is having difficulty locating all documents after inputting information into a wage subsidy online program.			
12(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that a criminal record check or a vulnerable sector check, as the case may be, and a check with the Department of Social Development is conducted on each individual before he or she becomes a staff member.	12(2)	Dec 03, 2021	
Comments: While licensing staff was reviewing staff files, it was noted that some files did not have all of the required documentation. When this was brought to the attention of the operator, the operator relayed to licensing staff that all files were complete for past inspections however, she is having difficulty locating all documents after inputting information into a wage subsidy online program.			
12(3) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that a criminal record check or a vulnerable sector check, as the case may, and a check with the Department of Social Development is conducted on each staff member and associated person at least every five years.	12(3)	Dec 03, 2021	
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13(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall not employ or otherwise engage a person as a staff member if the person (a) has been convicted of an offence listed in Schedule B for which a pardon has not been granted or in respect of which a record suspension has not been ordered.	13(2)(a)	Dec 03, 2021	
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13(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall not employ or otherwise engage a person as a staff member if the person (b) has been identified by a check with the Department of Social Development under paragraphs 12(4)(a) to (d).	13(2)(b)	Dec 03, 2021	
Comments: While licensing staff was reviewing staff files, it was noted that some files did not have all of the required documentation. When this was brought to the attention of the operator, the operator relayed to licensing staff that all files were complete for past inspections however, she is having difficulty locating all documents after inputting information into a wage subsidy online program.			
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Dec 03, 2021	
Comments: While licensing staff was conducting the license renewal inspection on the outdoor play space, she noted that there were exposed screws on the wooden structure where the mud kitchen is located underneath the slide. Please ensure the exposed screws are removed in order to maintain the safety of the children.  Also, licensing staff noted that there was standing water in the tires that are located on the outdoor play space. Please ensure that the standing water is able to drain to ensure the safety of the children.  Licensing staff also noted that one of the slides, located on the preschool children's outdoor play space, is damaged and could pose to be a safety hazard. Please remove the damaged slide to ensure the safety of the children.			

### General Comments

Licensing staff arrived at the licensed facility to conduct the license inspection visit while children were still arriving at the licensed facility.

Licensing staff began observations in the infant classroom. The educators in the infant were extremely attentive to the infants needs. The educators engaged with the children at their level and were very empathetic and compassionate with all children. While observing in the infant room, licensing staff observed the educators prepare and introduce a loose parts activity containing empty cans, cotton balls, small zoo animals, wooden blocks and small wooden, age appropriate cars, as well as, little plastic water filled cubes. The activity maintained the infants attention for approximately a half hour. Wonderful loose parts activity ladies!

Licensing staff conducted observations in the 2 year old next. The children and the educators were engaging in a playdough activity during my visit. Both the educators and the children had small bits of playdough on their finger tips and began to sing the "finger family song." The children enjoyed this activity as licensing staff observed the children smiling, laughing and singing! Well done!!

The 2 year old children also had morning snack while licensing staff was visiting in their classroom. On the menu this morning was milk, toasted bagels and tangerines.

There was an abundance of documentation posted on the walls in each classroom so the children can revisit the learning experiences. Each classroom had a purposely planned activity schedule posted on the wall along with a flexible daily schedule.

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General Comments

Also, licensing staff noted that there was standing water in the tires that are located on the outdoor play space. Please ensure that the standing water is able to drain to ensure the safety of the children.

Licensing staff also noted that one of the slides, located on the preschool children's outdoor play space, is damaged and could pose to be a safety hazard. Please remove the damaged slide to ensure the safety of the children.

Most classrooms purposely planned activities at the licensed facility are based on the interests of the children however, licensing staff noted that not all classrooms are focusing on the interests of the children. A formal circle time should be based on the children's interests and when children exhibit challenging behaviour, during a formal circle time, this could indicate that the children are no longer interested in the activity and the activity should be switched up.

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Tanya Gaudet

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Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

December 03, 2021

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Date

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Suzanne Wood

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Signature of Operator/Designate

December 03, 2021

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