

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 Mother's Care Education Centre Inc.	Licence Number 2018829	Inspection Date November 01, 2023
Facility Name Preschool in the Park		Telephone Number (506) 454-7235
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Joanne Voyer Page		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
11.1(3) A staff member who works directly with infants or preschool children shall complete in each year 10 hours of training approved by the Minister related to the curriculum used at the designated facility.	11.1(3)	Dec 31, 2023	Nov 01, 2023
Comments: At this time this is not a compliance requirement. After speaking with the Acting Manager, it was recommended not to place the Operator in non-compliance as they have until December 30th to meet the 10 hours of Professional learning for staff who work with infants and preschoolers and who have completed the Intro to ECE or have an ECE or other combination of training. The Licensing Inspector will follow up during the annual inspection to ensure the staff and operator have met the 10 hours of professional learning or a plan of action is in place.			
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)	Oct 19, 2023	Nov 01, 2023
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant			
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)	Oct 19, 2023	Nov 01, 2023
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant.			
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: (c) staff member records that include (v) a copy of a criminal record check or vulnerable sector check, as the case may be.	24(1)(c)(v)	Oct 19, 2023	Nov 01, 2023
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant			
28(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall carry out emergency evacuation and fire drills monthly.	28(2)	Oct 31, 2023	
Comments: As a follow up from my last visit on October 5th, Licensing staff reviewed the fire drill record and also asked an educator whether a fire drill was performed in October. No fire drills have been performed. This is a requirement to practice and record a fire drill with children in attendance once a month. Please commence performing and recording in November and monthly thereafter.			
28(3) The premises of a licensed facility shall comply with (a) lighting, ventilation and other general health standards under the Public Health Act.	28(3)(a)	Oct 06, 2023	Nov 01, 2023

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Comments: Licensing staff observed diapers/pullup on the bathroom floor during the visit and asked the educator to store off the floor. This was corrected during the visit. I did remind educator's again the importance of keeping the children's lunch bags zipped to keep food cold, as licensing staff addressed this on Oct 5th. As another reminder toilet paper roll dispenser needs fixed as it is off the wall, and paper towel must be put in the dispenser.			

General Comments

This is a follow up to a monitoring inspection performed on October 5th. Please read above compliances that have been addressed, though during this visit licensing staff observed the toilet paper holder needs re-attached to the wall in the bathroom stall. Administrative records were reviewed - child staff ratios, attendance of staff and children, infant toddler records and fire drills. Please read above comment regarding fire drills. In regard to recording children's attendance, it is recommended that an attendance record for morning drop off is recorded. Tracking attendance is important to ensure ratios are maintained. Licensing staff observed children being moved to different rooms and the times on the attendance record were not being recorded or there was a discrepancy in the time recorded. This was corrected during the inspection visit, but as a reminder please document this information if when a child leaves the morning classroom or if the children are being transitioned into another room. All children were observed in outdoor play and also returning inside for lunch. One group is learning about farm animals and children were observed participating in an art activity and then listening to a story. Educators assist children with diaper changing, dressing, toileting, opening food containers, and packaging. Educators were observed singing ABC's with children while they wash their hands after toileting and using playful conversation when changing diapers. They speak to children by calling them by their names and comfort them. Children appeared tired and teary eyed after outdoor play. Perhaps adjusting their outdoor schedule by 15 minutes might make an easier transition so they are not so tired. One child is transitioning into a new room, so it is important that educators take the child's cue and give the child the time and attention they need to adjust to the new space. They really just need a cuddle to be reassured because everything is new to them - new friends, new educators, new toys, new room etc. The educator did follow through and was observed comforting, sitting with and assisting the child with eating lunch. All children were observed eating and going down for a nap or older children were observed in quiet play.

original signed by
Joanne Voye Page

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

November 01, 2023

Date

original signed by
Amanda Slipp

Signature of Operator/Designate

November 01, 2023

Date