

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 Brighter Horizons Preschool & After School Centre Inc.	Licence Number 2019570	Inspection Date April 13, 2022	
Facility Name Brighter Horizons Preschool & Afterschool Centre Inc.		Telephone Number (506) 327-3030	
Address 491 Pleasant Drive Minto NB E4B 2T4			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Tanya Gaudet		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
11 The qualifications and training requirements for administrators and educators are as follows: (a) an administrator and educators must hold a valid first aid certificate and a valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation certificate;	11(a)	Apr 20, 2022	
Comments: Licensing staff noted that the operator needs to recertify their First Aid and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation Certification. Please ensure all staff files are complete with all of the required documentation.			
11 The qualifications and training requirements for administrators and educators are as follows: (b) educators must have successfully completed the Introduction to Early Childhood Education course or hold an Early Childhood Education Certificate.	11(b)	Apr 20, 2022	
Comments: Licensing staff noted that not all educators have completed the Introduction to ECE course or hold an ECE certificate.			
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)	Apr 20, 2022	
Comments: It was noted that the administrator and at least 50 percent of educators do not hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate. The Administrator did relay to licensing staff that the Administrator and an educator are currently enrolled in the Early Childhood Education program offered through NBCC and are expected to graduate in June of 2023.			
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 (iii) a description of the staff member's duties and responsibilities.	24(1)(c)(iii)	Apr 20, 2022	
Comments: It was noted that not all staff have not signed off that they have read and understood their job description. Please ensure that all staff files are complete with all required documentation.			
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 (vii) a copy of a valid first aid certificate and a valid cardiopulmonary resuscitation certificate for each administrator and educator.	24(1)(c)(vii)	Apr 13, 2022	

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Comments: It was noted that the operator did not have a current First Aid and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation Certificate. Please ensure that all staff files are complete with all required documentation.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	Apr 13, 2022	Apr 13, 2022
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant			
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Apr 13, 2022	
Comments: Licensing staff noted protruding nails and screws inside the wooden playhouse located on the playground. Please ensure all of the protruding nails and screws are removed before the children go back inside the playhouse to play to ensure the safety of the children.			
31(6) The outdoor play area of a full-time or part-time early learning and childcare centre at which services are provided to infants or preschool children shall be enclosed with a fence at least 1.22 m in height with a gate that is secured at all times when the children are present.	31(6)	Apr 13, 2022	
Comments: When going outside with the children for outdoor play activities, licensing staff noted that the gate leading into the fenced in play area did close without the use of a bungee cord. When I brought this to the attention of the educator, she relayed to me that the operator has called to have this fixed. Please ensure the gate can securely close without the use of a bungee cord to maintain the safety of the children.			
33(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide outdoor play area materials and equipment that are varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	33(1)	Apr 20, 2022	
Comments: Licensing staff noted a number of broken toys located on the playground however, when the operator arrived at the centre, she did bring some blocks to put on the playground for the children to play with. Please ensure the children have more play materials for the children to engage with while playing outside.			
48(2) An operator of a licensed facility may supply food to a child receiving services at the licensed facility that a parent or guardian of the child brings from the child's home if the food is labelled with the child's name and refrigerated, as required.	48(2)	Apr 13, 2022	
Comments: Licensing staff also noted that a child's lunch (canned pasta) was sitting on the counter since I arrived at 10:30am. Please ensure that all food that requires to be refrigerated gets stored in the refrigerator to maintain the safety of the children.			

General Comments

Licensing staff arrived at the licensed facility on April 13th at approximately 10:30 am. The children were engaging in free play activities and making an Easter craft.

During the license renewal inspection visit, licensing staff observed the children engage in a number of activities and outdoor play. The children were observed laughing, sharing and engaging in rich conversation with their peers and their educators.

While licensing staff was conducting the license renewal inspection, licensing staff noted that three plugs did not have a plug cover. Please ensure all plugs have plug covers to ensure the safety of the children.

Licensing staff also noted that the cleaning schedule was blank for Monday and Tuesday of this week. Please ensure that regular cleaning and sanitizing is done on a daily basis.

Licensing staff also noted that the door jam leading into the bathroom is full of finger prints and dirt. Please ensure high touch surfaces are cleaned on a daily basis to help reduce the spread of germs.

Licensing staff noted protruding nails and screws inside the wooden playhouse located on the playground. Please ensure all of the protruding nails and screws are removed before the children go back inside the playhouse to play to ensure the safety of the children.

General Comments

Licensing staff noted a sand box located on the playground however, there was very little sand in the sandbox. Please replenish the sand as to create a second surface for the children to engage in different types of play .

Licensing staff noted a number of broken toys located on the playground however, when this was brought to the attention of the educator, the educator removed the broken toys.

While the children were outside playing the operator arrived at the centre and brought some outdoor blocks for the children to play with.

When going outside with the children for outdoor play activities, licensing staff noted that the gate leading into the fenced in play area did close securely without the use of a bungee cord. When I brought this to the attention of the educator, she relayed to me that the operator has called to have this fixed. Please ensure the gate can securely close without the use of a bungee cord to maintain the safety of the children.

Licensing staff noted that the operator needs to recertify their First Aid and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation Certification. Please ensure all staff files are complete with all of the required documentation.

It was noted that the administrator and at least 50 percent of educators do not hold a one-year Early Childhood Education Certificate. The Administrator did relay to licensing staff that the Administrator and an educator are currently enrolled in the Early Childhood Education program offered through NBCC and are expected to graduate in June of 2023.

Please ensure all staff files are complete with all of the required documentation.

Please ensure that all food brought from home is stored in the fridge if there is not a freezer pack in the lunch box to ensure the safety of the children.

original signed by
Tanya Gaudet

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

April 13, 2022

Date

original signed by
Tabitha Darrah

Signature of Operator/Designate

April 13, 2022

Date