

## 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 May 16, 2023
Facility Name Brighter Horizons Preschool & Afterschool Centre Inc.		Telephone Number (506) 478-7452
Address 491 Pleasant Drive Minto NB E4B 2T4		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sabrina Diotte		Position Title Inspector

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
21 A licensee shall post the following documents in a clearly visible and prominent place in the facility associated with the licence: (a) the licence; (b) a report provided under section 23; (c) an order issued under section 28; and (d) a probationary license issued under section 29.	21(a) – (d)	May 23, 2023	May 16, 2023
Comments: The most recent monitoring visit report was not posted on the parent board, however, was posted before I left.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	May 23, 2023	
Comments: There is a smell in the centre caused by an unknown source.  As per the operator manual, section 9.2.2, carpet must be shampooed regularly or when needed. There are obvious stains on the carpet and therefore, it needs to be shampooed.  In speaking to the operator, there was a small flood in the Centre, proper measures were taking to remove the water and moister, however, this will be discussed with Public Health as there remains a musty smell in the centre.  There are multiple holes in the walls near the climbing wall. The holes must be repaired, and walls painted.  When vacuuming, vacuuming must be done in corners, under furniture and under mats. There is a large amount of debris under the mat near the climbing wall, in the corners and corners of the entrance area. The kitchen is heavily soiled and needs a deep cleaning, including floors, appliances (in and out), behind the appliances and cabinets also need to be washed down. In addition, the back of the walls facing into the play area must be cleaned and should also be painted as the current material would not allow for proper cleaning and disinfecting. The counters should also be cleaned and decluttered.  The bathrooms are heavily soiled, it's evident they are not being cleaned daily. There are stains and built-up urine and dirt in the toilets, a large amount of urine around the toilet bowl and the edges of the toilet. There are also some floor planks that are no longer sticking to the floor. The bathroom needs to be deep cleaned and sanitized. The floor must be repaired. The sinks/cabinets must be cleaned and also the bathroom stalls and walls.  The blue cushion in the cozy area is heavily soiled and needs to be cleaned.			

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31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	May 23, 2023	
Comments: The wood house has many nails sticking out and one child cut herself today with a nail. Therefore, all nails must be hammered properly into the wood to ensure they are not sticking out. There are broken wood planks on the floor of the house that must also be repaired.			

**General Comments**

Upon my arrival the children were having free play. They went outside in the morning and then came inside for lunch. Children were asked to wash their hands before meals. After lunch, the educators setup some invitations for play on the tables. The educators were observed engaged with the children in play and in conversation. During snack time, the educator asked the children about their weekend. Positive child guidance was observed such as gentle reminders, encouragements, and positive reinforcement. The educators were observed consoling children when needed. The children have access to different materials such as dramatic play materials, art supplies, loose parts, music instruments and blocks. The afterschool children arrived 2:10 , washed their hands and had snack.

There are other chips on the walls throughout the centre and this will eventually need to be repaired and walls painted to ensure proper sanitization.

The cabinets used to display toys have also writing all over them and should be painted with high gloss paint or stain because they are bare wood and bare wood cannot be properly cleaned and sanitized. The dramatic play boot is also full of writing. I would recommend the art station be near the tables, away from other furniture to ensure children are not writing on toys and furniture and to ensure proper supervision of the children so they are not writing on furniture.

The dress up clothes is piled up in a bin on the floor but the bin is too small for all of them so many were just on the floor. There is a hanging rack for costumes, but hangers are needed.

Children's files are well maintained and contain all the necessary information. Only one file was missing immunization records. All staff files are well maintained and contain all the necessary information.

Parent board must be updated to reflect contact information for the new Inspector/Investigator.

Grant plans and Quality Improvement plans must be met and complied with.

The children have access to different materials outside, however, I would recommend adding more materials recommended by the NB Curriculum Framework.

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Sabrina Diotte

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Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

May 16, 2023

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Date

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Tabitha Darrah

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Signature of Operator/Designate

May 16, 2023

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Date