

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 700365 NB Inc.	Licence Number 2019621	Inspection Date November 15, 2023	
Facility Name The Children's Academy 2019		Telephone Number (506) 206-4010	
Address Unit 4 440 Kimble Drive Fredericton NB E3B 7G6			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Nancy Glendenning		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
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: (j) smoke alarm, smoke detector and fire extinguisher inspection and maintenance records.	24(1)(j)	Nov 17, 2023	
Comments: The fire extinguishers inspections have expired and need to be rechecked.			
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: (k) emergency evacuation and fire drill records.	24(1)(k)	Nov 17, 2023	
Comments: The written emergency plan for staff members must outline staff members responsibilities and include lists of items to be removed in an emergency (For example, first aid kit, emergency contact information and attendance records) In addition, staff members must know the emergency plan and how to safely evacuate children in an emergency situation, understand their responsibilities, know how to physically remove children from the building, in particular, how to evacuate infants and children with additional support needs. Fire drills are currently being completed separately and must be completed as a whole facility at the same time. Please complete a fire drill for entire facility by November 17, 2023.			
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)	Nov 14, 2023	
Comments: The diaper changing areas need a good cleaning. It was dirty underneath the pads and the shelving were very dirty.			
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Nov 17, 2023	
Comments: Drilled holes need to be placed in the tires so that they do not collect water.			
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)	Nov 17, 2023	
Comments:			

General Comments

As per your quality improvement plan and licensing regulations you must implement a quality environment that is varied and in sufficient quantity for all children present; easily accessible on low open shelves and arranged to allow opportunities for free choice of activities. Open ended materials and equipment must be in sufficient quantity and variety for the size of group and representative for each of the following categories must be present:

- art materials including loose parts
- blocks and accessories
- dramatic play
- music and movement
- large muscle
- manipulatives and fine motor
- sand and water play
- puzzles and games
- materials that support mathematical learning
- materials that support learning in science and technology

Materials are not limited to use in a particular learning centre and the centres must be clearly defined.

There has been some material added to the environment; however, as stated above there are still requirements to meet quality standards. Support from the curriculum team has been accepted by the Operator and the Operator is responsible to implement and follow all recommendations given by this particular team.

It was also noted that educators have implemented programming and are documenting the children's learning through a portfolio binder, pictures, and learning Stories.

More ways should be explored to demonstrate that planning is a process that involves engaging the children and reflecting on the children's interests, passions, strengths and abilities.

As per previous recommendations, the administrator has made the outdoor play space less crowded. Licensing staff advised educators to start thinking how they were going to implement learning centres in the outdoor play space for the winter.

Both the indoor and outdoor play areas must be:

- purposefully planned and encourage playful exploration, problem solving and creativity.
- arranged to allow opportunities for free choice of activities.
- designed in a way that promotes effective supervision.
- flexible to respond to children's changing interests, abilities and desires.
- organized into flexible learning centres that are well-defined, easy to get to with plenty of space for children to carry out the intended activity
- . permit children to play individually, in small groups, and/or in a large group.
- . accommodate and encourage a variety of activities to support appropriate curriculum implementation.

Licensing staff advised staff in the outdoor play space that when children are brought into the washroom, child / staff ratio must still be maintained. Therefore, they may have to bring more children into the facility than the child who needs to use the bathroom. This was not an issue at time of visit, but educators were unaware that they could not just be off ratio for a short period of time.

On your bulletin board please change the administrator to the current one and Nancy Glendenning's number should be changed to (506) 429-3091.

Educators are following the proper management of illness protocols. Two children became ill at time of visit and parent(s) were called for pick up, children sat separately with an educator and children were properly cared for. All proper documentation is being filled out accurately.

General Comments

original signed by
Nancy Glendenning

November 15, 2023

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date