

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 Runts n' Rascals Ltd.	Licence Number 2019698	Inspection Date January 24, 2023	
Facility Name Runts 'n' Rascals Daycare		Telephone Number (506) 440-1681	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Kelsey Colford		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected

General Comments

I arrived for the inspection and the children were playing outdoors. There were shovels, sleds, and smaller toys available to children. All items were observed to be in good repair. When children returned inside from outdoor play the educators prompted them to hang their wet outerwear; each child had a labelled cubby and hook for their items. Educators prompted handwashing at transitions indoors and to meals.

Staff engaged with the children in play and at mealtimes by sitting with them at their level to engage in conversations and activities. When children were struggling with strong emotions, staff were observed talking with children in a calming, level tone of voice, at their eye level, to support them through this. Documentation of teaching breathing techniques was observed.

The day was structured with varied time for free play and planned activities. The group engaged in individual and smaller group activities as well as activities aimed at the whole group, like circle time where they read and participated in other group learning activities together.

Ratio was well-maintained throughout the visit with an additional staff preparing the children's lunches in the kitchen and bringing them to their tables. Staff actively communicated with each other, including the additional staff, when they needed to step out of a room, to ensure that ratio was maintained.

All staff files were observed to be complete and up to date. All observed children's files were found to be complete and up to date.

Recent and frequent documentation of learning was evident throughout the centre on the walls and in portfolios. Some of the topics included: pets, squirrels, and beta fish. Learning stories were observed in the form of artwork, written stories, and photos. Children had hand-written some of the documentation learning stories. Efforts to mindfully include the curriculum were observed with plans for possible activities posted along with staff noting the dates they put these plans into practice.

I recommend this licence for renewal.

original signed by
Kelsey Colford

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

January 24, 2023

Date

original signed by
victoria duplessis

Signature of Operator/Designate

January 24, 2023

Date