

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 BLG Consulting Ltd.	Licence Number 2021002	Inspection Date October 10, 2024	
Facility Name BLG Forest Of Dreams Daycare		Telephone Number (506) 214-0678	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Robyn Nelson		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
10(7) Despite subsection (6), if an infant is grouped at a full-time early learning and childcare centre with children of a mixed-age group, the number of children grouped shall not be more than the number that requires one educator.	10(7)	Oct 09, 2024	Oct 09, 2024
Comments: If an infant is grouped at a full-time early learning centre with children of mixed-age groups, the number of children grouped shall not be more than the number that requires one educator. Administration and staff members to understand the requirement for the child-to-staff ratio and know how to calculate it to ensure that it is maintained at all times.			
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)	Oct 09, 2024	
Comments: Job descriptions should provide details on the duties and responsibilities of these positions. Staff members should be clear as to the expectations of their position prior to commencing employment. A copy of the job description is to be located in the staff member's file.			
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 (iv) a signed declaration confirming that the staff member has read and understood his or her obligations under the Act and this Regulation.	24(1)(c)(iv)	Oct 09, 2024	
Comments: A signed statement is included in each staff member's file indicating they have read and reviewed the policies and procedures. Roles, responsibilities, qualifications and expectations for all staff are clearly outlined. The Staff Handbook Template (Appendix 21) describes what is minimally required. Operators are encouraged to add content relevant to their centre.			
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)	Oct 09, 2024	
Comments: Staff members, including volunteers and parents, counted in the child-to-staff ratio must have valid first aid and CPR, in addition to all checks.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	Oct 09, 2024	

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<p>Comments: Dirt and debris have been observed accumulating on the baseboards and floors and carpets in indoor classrooms, which will need to be thoroughly cleaned. Routine cleaning and disinfection are critical components of disease control in an Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) facility to limit environmental contamination. A comprehensive cleaning schedule should be implemented to ensure all areas, including hard-to-reach spaces like baseboards, are regularly addressed.</p> <p>The cleaning schedule should clearly outline tasks based on frequency—daily, weekly, or monthly—and include all items and areas in the facility, such as classrooms, play areas, bathrooms, and common spaces. The schedule should also have designated spaces for staff members to initial and date upon task completion. Specific cleaning responsibilities can be assigned to individual staff members to ensure accountability and consistent upkeep of the facility. Regular documentation will ensure compliance and maintain a safe, hygienic environment for the children.</p>			
<p>40(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that personal belongings of a child receiving services at the licensed facility that are brought to the licensed facility, including combs, brushes, toothbrushes, towels, washcloths, bedding, pacifiers and soothers, are (a) labelled with the name of the child, (b) used only for the intended child, and (c) stored separately for each child.</p>	<p>40(1)(a)</p>	<p>Oct 09, 2024</p>	
<p>Comments: One soother found on a shelf without labelling. Soothers to be kept in a manner that is stored separately for each child, labelled with their name to ensure the item is only used by the intended child.</p>			

General Comments
<p>A Monitoring Inspection occurred on October 9, 2024.</p> <p>Children were observed during indoor free play, actively engaging in various activities that support their development and interests. Educators were seen using positive language and providing gentle reminders to children, helping to foster a nurturing and supportive environment.</p> <p>The facility ensures compliance with several key safety and operational requirements. A clearly visible and prominent location has been designated to post the license, current inspection report, monitoring reports, and any orders for compliance. Snacks are provided at least every three hours, and meals are served at recognized meal periods. Evacuation procedures are posted in a prominent location, and information regarding life-threatening allergies is also displayed.</p> <p>Books have been thoughtfully selected to reflect the interests of the children. The facility maintains a varied supply of appropriate equipment, materials, books, and toys that support a wide range of developmental activities. Traffic areas and outdoor walkways are free of clutter, and all toxic products, such as cleaning supplies, are locked away and inaccessible to children. The infant outdoor play area is either separated or used at different times than areas designated for older children. Outdoor stationary equipment is surrounded by protective surfacing of the appropriate depth to ensure safety during play.</p> <p>During the inspection, a discussion was held with the Operator and Administrators to review the facility's strengths and areas for improvement. Strengths included recent curriculum and programming changes, which have led to richer learning environments for both educators and children. The Operator's active involvement has brought about significant improvements to the facility, with plans to create a new outdoor reading space and diverse outdoor play areas. Safety measures, such as improved fencing, have been implemented, and new materials have enhanced indoor learning centers, offering a variety of educational opportunities.</p> <p>However, certain areas of need were also discussed. Continued diligence is required to maintain the cleanliness of the facility. Increased involvement from the Operator and administrators on the floor is recommended to better support daily operations. Current priorities include fostering teamwork among educators and continuing efforts to improve both indoor and outdoor environments to benefit children's overall learning experiences.</p>

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October 09, 2024 _____

Robyn Nelson

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

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Signature of Operator/Designate

October 09, 2024

Date