

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 722780 N.B. Inc	Licence Number 2021057	Inspection Date May 20, 2025	
Facility Name Oakland Academy Vanier Park		Telephone Number (506) 474-1878	
Address 190 Doak Road Fredericton NB E3C 2G2			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Laura Casey		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
40(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall not permit pacifiers or soothers to be used with a neck string.	40(2)	May 20, 2025	May 20, 2025
Comments: During inspection, a pacifier with a neck string was observed. Inspector notified the Educator immediately and the string was removed. Pacifiers are not to have neck strings or beads due to potential choking hazards. Deficiency is now compliant.			

General Comments
<p>Upon Licensing staff arrival, the infants and the 2/3 split classroom were outdoors playing, while the other classrooms were playing indoors.</p> <p>The outdoor place space was fully fenced and secured by a gate. Play material such as trucks, a mud kitchen, balance beams, swings and a climbing zipline were in good condition. Children were observed dancing and singing. An Educator was observed offering kind hugs and comfort after a tiny tumble.</p> <p>The indoor environment was welcoming, and elements of nature were incorporated throughout the facility. There have been positive changes noticed in the infant rooms with the room configuration, decor and material. The designated nap space was tidy and child photos were posted above each crib. Classrooms were inviting with current learning stories and documentation of learning. Children in the 2-year-old classroom were observed painting on large tabletop paper with their fingers and feathers. Educators were engaged with the children and positive words of encouragement were heard. Please ensure that play material is varied and organized in the 2-year-old classroom. A recommendation would be to incorporate additional family photos, elements of nature, twinkle lights, a cozy corner and age-appropriate loose play pieces such as wooden pegs, wooden cut outs, pompoms or silk scarfs for sensory play. Later in the morning, the 3-year-old classroom was engaged in free play with magnet tiles, blocks, imaginative play, and soft cushions. The 4-year-old the children were observed colouring, playing hair salon, and singing.</p> <p>Before lunch, proper handwashing and diaper changing procedures were observed. During lunch, children sat together with Educators at the table or in highchairs. Educators were observed engaging in conversation with</p>

General Comments

the children and helping when needed with packaging or feeding the infants. After lunch, the tables were cleaned, floors were swept, and nap mats were placed out for children who napped. The transition to nap time was smooth. Soft music was played, and Educators were observed rubbing the backs of children to help ease them to sleep. Children who did not nap were observed engaging in quiet time tabletop activities, reading and playing with blocks. As the children began to wake up the rooms were calm, and children were observed playing quietly on their mats.

During inspection, child and staff files were verified. Monthly fire drills, daily attendance forms and outdoor maintenance logs were completed. There was evidence of purposeful planning in Educator binders with calendars and activities. Allergy information was clearly visible in each classroom and the parent board in the entry way was organized with required licensing documentation. As a reminder, please ensure the professional learning hours are completed during the current licensing period and documented.

Licensing staff recommends for renewal.

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Laura Casey

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

May 20, 2025

Date

original signed by
Julia Pond

Signature of Operator/Designate

May 20, 2025

Date