

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 Little Muddy Hands Learning Center Inc.		Inspection Date June 29, 2026
Facility Name Little Muddy hands Learning Center Inc.		Licence Number 2023015
Address 179 Sunbury Drive Fredericton Junction NB E5L 1R5		Telephone Number (506) 471-4801
Type of Facility Full-time Early Learning and Childcare Centre	Maximum Number of Children 44	Ages of Children INFANTS PRESCHOOL
ELCC Licensing Staff Tanya Gaudet	Position Title Inspector	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
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General Comments
Licensing staff attended the licensed facility to conduct the annual License Renewal Inspection. Upon arrival, the children in the three-to-four-year-old classroom were engaged in free play activities. Shortly thereafter, they washed their hands and independently chose where they would like to sit for snack. Following snack, the children participated in a variety of educator-planned invitations to play. These experiences included: 1. Truck and Tractor Activity – Children used trucks, tractors, and small cube blocks to load and unload materials, encouraging imaginative play and problem-solving skills. 2. Collaborative Mark-Making/Craft Activity – Children explored a variety of materials, including pencil crayons, stamps, glue, paper butterflies, cardboard tubes, and a large sheet of paper covering the table, promoting creativity and self-expression. 3. Literacy Exploration – A bird-themed book was available for children to independently explore and discuss. 4. Hair Salon Dramatic Play Area – Children engaged in pretend play using hairbrushes, combs, hair ribbons, hair clips, and a mannequin head with hair. During observations of the two-year-old group, children were outdoors exploring a variety of learning centres. They demonstrated curiosity and engagement while participating in water play activities, including a water table and water pipes attached to the fence. The infants were also observed outdoors in their separately fenced play area. Educators had thoughtfully prepared water play experiences and a balancing pathway to support the children's exploration and gross motor development. A review of staff files was completed. The files were well organized and contained all required documentation.

General Comments

Throughout the inspection, educators demonstrated a high level of professionalism and enthusiasm for their work. They were consistently observed engaging positively with the children and supporting their learning. Licensing staff heard educators using positive child guidance strategies, including redirection and encouraging children to communicate with their peers using words to resolve conflicts and express their needs.

Based on the observations made during the inspection, licensing staff recommend the facility for renewal of its license.

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Tanya Gaudet

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

June 29, 2026

Date

Signature of Operator/Designated staff

Date

"I hereby acknowledge receipt of this report"