



Early Learning Centre Governance

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MCC Early Learning Centre is licensed under the Education and Care Services National Law (National Law). The MCC Early Learning Centre is licensed to take 66 children each day in three groups. MCC Early Learning Centre is a Registered Child Care Provider with an Approved Kindergarten Program. We are licensed as a Long Day Care Centre and as a Sessional Kindergarten (Part Time Kindy).

REGULATIONS

National Quality Framework

The National Quality Framework aims to raise quality and drive continuous improvement and consistency in education and care services through:

- National Legislative Framework
- National Quality Standards
- The National Quality Rating and Assessment Process
- The Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority.

National Quality Rating and Assessment Process

Approved Services will be assessed and rated against each of the seven Quality Areas of the National Quality Standard and the National Regulations. They will also be given an overall rating. The rating and assessment process aims to drive continuous quality improvement at services and provide families with better information for making choices about their children's education and care.

Quality Improvement Plan (QIP)

At the service level, a self-assessment process is undertaken in consultation with stakeholders including educators, families and the community, against the National Quality Standard (NQS) and related regulations. Based on the identified strengths and areas for improvement, the service management (e.g. the Nominated Supervisor, Educational Leader and Approved Provider) develops a QIP which reflects the unique circumstances of the service and its community.

The QIP must:

- be informed by a self-assessment against the NQS and related regulations
- identify strengths and areas for improvement
- include a statement of philosophy of the service
- be updated at least annually
- be available at the service at all times (for Parents/Carers and Regulatory Authority)

Early Learning Centre Policies and Procedures

Our Early Learning Centre Parents/Carers are welcome to view Mackay Christian College Early Learning Centre Policies and Procedures upon request. Please speak to the Head of Early Learning.

OFFICE FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE

This Child Care service is licensed by the Office for Early Childhood Education and Care, under the Education and Care Services National Law (Queensland) Act 2011 and Education and Care Service National Regulations (NSW) (2011 S1 653) and must comply with this Law and Regulations, including for example, the requirements relating to activities, experiences and programs, staff member's qualifications, numbers of staff and children.

The Office for Early Childhood Education and Care's Child Care Information Service contact number is 1800 637 711. The local Early Childhood Regional Operations office for the Mackay area can be contacted on 07 4932 4022 or via email CentralQueensland.ECRA@qed.qld.gov.au.

AUSTRALIAN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION and CARE QUALITY AUTHORITY (ACECQA)

One of ACECQA's many roles are to educate and inform the wider community about the importance of improving outcomes in children's education and care. ACECQA guides the implementation of the National Quality Framework for Early Childhood Education and Care nationally and ensures consistency in delivery.

ACECQA Contact Details:

Via email to info@acecqa.gov.au, or by calling [1300 422 327](tel:1300422327).

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