



Daycare McNaughton 909

March 31st 2025



Agenda

1. Greetings
2. Explanation of daycare objective for 24 children
3. Time for questions
4. Closing

OBJECTIVE

Proposal for a Spanish Immersion group Childcare Center from 30 months to school age at 909 McNaughton Avenue

LUZ MARY CALDERON

❖ INFANT AND TODDLER

DIANA VANEGAS

❖ INFANT AND TODDLER AND SPECIAL
NEEDS

HECTOR MORENO

❖ EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR
ASSISTENT

CHILDCARE FOR 24 CHILDREN

That will be run at outdoors in a 70% in daily base by using the surrounding neighborhood parks as Gorge Park, Banfield, and Kinsmen Park like natural classrooms.

This Daycare aims to foster language immersion through play and hands on experiences in natural environments, promoting respect, love and care for nature. the daycare program will be offering seven learning areas (art, science, literature, music, recreation, exploration, and dance), providing children with opportunities to interact with their natural surroundings in spaces such as urban parks, forests, beaches, and playground. Through exploration and play, children rotate between these environments, learning and reinforcing their Spanish vocabulary while observing, stimulating curiosity and enjoying nature.

ATTENTION

Standard hours: Monday to Friday, from **7:30 AM** to **4:30 PM**.

Hours	Activity
7:30- 8:45 am	Free play inside
8:45-9:45 am	Art (1) –Music (2)
9:45 – 10:30	Snack
10: 30 – 12:00	Playground – Walk park
12:00 – 12:45	Lunch
12:45 – 1:45	Quiet Time
1:45 – 2:45	Group Activity
3:00 – 3:30	Snack
3:30 – 4:30	Playground



Noise Mitigation Measures

To address potential noise concerns:

1. A **line of trees** will be planted along the perimeter of the property to serve as a natural sound barrier.
2. Consideration of **acoustic fencing** or sound-dampening materials for outdoor play areas.

3. Outdoor playtime will be scheduled during reasonable hours to minimize disturbances to neighboring properties.



Community Impact and Benefits

The establishment of a Spanish Immersion childcare center at 909 McNaughton Avenue will provide several benefits to the community:

Increased access to high-quality childcare services: The center will offer an innovative, language-focused program to families seeking both childcare and bilingual education.

Support for working parents: Reliable and culturally enriching care options close to home will empower parents to pursue their professional and personal goals.

Fostering multiculturalism: The program will introduce children to a new language and culture, contributing to a more inclusive and culturally aware community.

Preparation for future success: Bilingual children tend to have higher cognitive flexibility and improved academic outcomes, positioning them for success in a competitive, globalized world.



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Thank you for
coming

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Invitation to the community located around 909 McNaughton Avenue, to take part in the public consultation on the possibility of opening a Childcare for children from 30 months to 5 years of age.

Proposal for a Spanish immersion day care center for 24 children at 909 McNaughton Avenue.

Submitted By:

Luz Mary Calderon

Phone: 250 384 2806

The purpose of this proposal is to open a Spanish Immersion group childcare center aged 30 months to 5 years at 909 McNaughton Avenue that will be run at outdoors in a 70% in daily base by using the surrounding neighborhood parks as Gorge Park, Banfield, and Kinsmen Park like natural classrooms.

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MEETING:

Date: March 31st 2025

Place: Reading Room - Victoria West Community (521 Craigflower Road)

Time: 6:00pm

Contact us for more information

Luz Mary Calderon

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Agenda meeting March 31, 2025

- Greetings
- Explanation of daycare objective for 24 children
- Answers to participants' questions
- Closing

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Thank you for your participation in our informative meeting

Sincerely yours,

On March 31 we had no attenders at the scheduled meeting, however we received one email (March 18, 2025) and two phone calls. In all cases they did not show disagreement but showed some concerns about parking and about children safety on the street during walks.

We got this email from Mindy Demers.

Bellow is the answers of all her concerns and questions

From: Mindy Demers [REDACTED]
Date: March 18, 2025 at 2:37:35 PM GMT-5
To: littlegeniusacademydaycare@gmail.com
Subject: Public Consultation

Thank you for the notice of public consultation on March 31st. As I will be unable to attend, I wanted to provide my questions and extend my concerns via email.

1. What mode of transportation will be used to take the children to and from the parks?

IF walking - what plan is in place to ensure the safety of all 24 children on the streets that do NOT have sidewalks?

- McNaughton, Uganda, and Selkirk
These can be very busy streets with fast moving traffic attempting to circumvent Tillicum and Craigflower.

2. Where will the children go on days with poor weather? Will they still be kept outside?

3. What hours, days of the week, and months of the year will this daycare run?

4. What plans are in place to address community complaints of noise?

This neighborhood has been subject to non-stop construction for the last 5 years - specifically right across the street on McNaughton and with still more to come, with weekends being bombarded with noise that prevents enjoyment of the homes and patios facing the street.

Will this daycare add to this noise disruption and be a safety concern for the children?

Thank you,
Concerned neighbour

Answer

From: Little Genius Daycare <littlegeniusacademydaycare@gmail.com>

Date: March 20, 2025 at 7:49:26 PM PDT

To: Mindy Demers [REDACTED]

Subject: Fwd:

Dear Mindy Demers

Thank you for taking the time to share your questions and concerns regarding our proposed daycare and the upcoming public consultation. I truly appreciate your engagement and understand how important it is that any new development is thoughtfully integrated into the neighborhood.

Please allow me to respond to each of your points:

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1. Transportation and Street Safety

We plan to walk with the children to nearby parks and green spaces. Safety is our top priority, and all outings will be supervised by trained staff following strict child-to-adult ratios. We are aware that some surrounding streets—such as McNaughton, Uganda, and Selkirk—do not have sidewalks, and we are taking steps to mitigate risk, including:

- Taking children out in small groups
- Using walking ropes, reflective vests, and/or stroller wagons (depending on age group)
- Training staff in child pedestrian safety
- Avoiding high-traffic areas or peak traffic hours

We will use only pre-assessed routes that offer the safest paths possible and will adjust based on seasonal or traffic-related changes.

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2. Weather Considerations

On days with poor weather, children will remain indoors. The facility is being designed to offer a warm, safe, and engaging indoor environment with age-appropriate activities. Outdoor play will only happen when weather conditions are appropriate.

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3. Hours, Days of Operation, and Schedule

The daycare is proposed to operate:

- Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM
- Closed on weekends and statutory holidays
- Closed for two weeks in August (summer break)
- Closed for the last two weeks of December (winter break)

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4. Noise Concerns

We recognize the impact that ongoing construction has had on the neighborhood and we want to assure you that we are approaching this with empathy and responsibility. While children do make some noise during play, our daycare will be a home-based setting, not a commercial facility, and outdoor time will be structured and limited to age-appropriate, respectful play during regular daytime hours.

Additional steps we will take include:

- Supervised, scheduled outdoor time to minimize disruption
- Fencing and landscaping that may help reduce sound
- Ongoing openness to feedback and collaboration with neighbors to resolve concerns as they arise

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This daycare will be a warm, nurturing environment intended to support local families while remaining a respectful and cooperative part of the community. I truly appreciate your taking the time to voice your concerns and am happy to continue this dialogue if any further questions come up.

Warm regards,
Luz Mary Calderon
Little Genius Academy

We also received two calls from Brenda and Delphia expressing their concern about children safety during the children walks and the parking.

We gave them the same answers offered to Mindy.

April 01st 2025