Frequent Asked Questions

Is Greater Christian Community Daycare (GCCD) a licensed facility?

We take extra care to ensure GCCD remains compliant with all applicable regulations set forth by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), Prince George's County Office of Child Care (OCC), and the GCCD's Board of Directors. The Office of Child Care conducts annual, semi-annual, and unannounced licensing visits to ensure our Daycare remains in compliance.

Do you provide education or only childcare?

The Greater Christian Community Daycare is an early learning provider that focuses on the holistic development of children between 2 to 5 years of age and Before and After school care. The mission of GCCD is to develop holistic children in a Christ-fragranced environment through spiritual, physical, social, and emotional stimuli. We endeavor to install basis learning techniques to aid your child throughout academia and beyond.

What is the cost of Tuition?

Our tuition rates are comparable to the Centers in your local premium childcare market. Our tuition rates are designed to reflect the exceptional care, education, and experiences to help your child thrive.

What is included in the Tuition?

Items covered by the tuition include but not limited to, curriculum, weekly Spanish lessons, meals, and some special activities. Parents can enroll your child in Soccer Shots which is available at a nominal cost.

Do you offer in-person tours?

Yes. We recommend scheduling an in-person tour so that you and your child can get a feel for the Center. Many parents said, they chose GCCD is because of the atmosphere and feeling they experienced while touring.

What are the hours of operation?

GCCD is open between the hours of 6am - 6pm Monday through Friday.

Health and Safety

What safety precautions does GCCD have in place to keep my child safe?

The staff is prepared to respond swiftly and follow emergency protocols and procedures. All staff members are first aid, CPR, Medication Administration certified and trained in child abuse

awareness and prevention. The security measures include controlled entry, interior surveillance cameras are located through the building, the exterior camera coverage includes the playground, parking area and soccer field and stringent visitor policies. We conduct monthly fire drills and quarterly emergency drills.

Are vaccinations required for my child to attend GCCD?

GCCD follows the vaccination requirements set by MSDE and OCC. However, some children may be unvaccinated due to documented medical conditions or religious beliefs. In such cases, proper documentation must be submitted and approved by OCC prior to admission. Please note that not all request for exemption are approved by MSDE.
To protect the health and safety of the children and staff, in the event of an outbreak, any child who is not vaccinated may be required to remain at home until it is safe to return.

How do your Schools handle food allergies?
All allergies must be documented by the child's physician on the Child Health Assessment Form. This information is maintained in the Director's office, posted in the classroom, and shared with the Food Specialist to ensure proper precautions are taken.

Teachers are trained to recognize the signs and symptoms of food allergies and are instructed in the proper administration of epinephrine in the event of an allergic reaction.

To help ensure the safety of all children, any food brought into the center for celebrations, such as birthdays, must be store-bought, unopened, and in its original packaging with ingredient labels clearly visible. Homemade food items are not permitted.

Family Communications

How will you communicate with me about my child?

Our primary method of communication is through ClassDojo; however, you are always welcome to call the Center during the day. A daily activity report is sent home to keep you informed about your child's day. This report may include details such as nap duration, lunch intake, potty training progress, developmental milestones, and more.

If you have completed the Media/Photography Consent Form, you may also receive photos or videos capturing special moments from your child's day.

How can I schedule a parent-teacher conference?
Parent-teacher conferences are held twice a year to discuss your child's progress and development. However, you are always welcome to contact your child's teacher to request a conference at any time, as needed.

Curriculum

Which curriculum is used by GCCD?

GCCD is a Christian-based center that integrates the A Beka curriculum with InvestiGator Club, an MSDE-approved program. By combining these two curricula, students are provided with an innovative and well-rounded early childhood education experience.

This approach encourages children to follow their natural curiosity, explore answers, and continue asking questions, an essential foundation for meaningful learning. Rather than passive instruction, children engage in immersive, hands-on experiences, with teachers serving as knowledgeable guides throughout the process.

The blended curriculum allows for individualized learning, giving each child the opportunity to explore their interests, take risks, learn from mistakes, and grow. In addition to academic development, children build confidence, resilience, and kindness—supporting their growth as both learners and well-rounded individuals.

What is a typical day at GCCD?

A typical day includes Cooperative Play, Breakfast, Praise and Worship, Circle Time, Class Projects, Morning Academics, Lunch, Nap Time, Snacks and Social Skills Development.

What supplies do I need to provide?

Please provide all necessary personal care items for your child, including diapers, wipes, two complete changes of clothing, and nap time bedding (such as a sheet, blanket, and/or sleeping bag). All items must be clearly labeled with your child's first and last name.

Teachers will provide a supply list with additional items specific to your child's classroom.

Closures

Whenever the Center is closed for any reason, parents will be notified promptly via ClassDojo once the decision has been made. In the event of inclement weather, the Center follows the closure protocols established by Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS).