Hello families:

The Georgia Department of Education has provided support and financial resources that can potentially support you and your child(ren). Please find below resources for school-age care programs and obtaining financial resources.

**Finding Full Day School-Age Care Programs**
The following two resources can help families identify providers in their area who offer care for schoolaged children during the work day and can help with distance learning.

- Georgia’s 1-877-ALL-GA-KIDS hotline can help parents find providers in their area who offer care for school-age children. Referral specialists will share contact information and other details about providers to help families find the best fit.
- Families can also visit [http://qualityrated.org/](http://qualityrated.org/) to search for providers in their area. When using the search engine, families should select the “fulltime care for school age children” option.

The hotline and the website will generate a list of state licensed or licensed-exempt child care programs monitored by the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL).

**Obtaining Financial Assistance**
Beginning September 1, 2020, financial support will be available for eligible families of students whose schools are operating on a virtual learning-only model. With funding from the Governor, DECAL has created the Supporting Onsite Learning for Virtual Education (SOLVE) Program that provides scholarships to cover the cost of out-of-home care for students ages 5-12 who are engaged in virtual learning. These scholarships are available to families whose incomes do not exceed 85% of the State Median Income, who meet an activity requirement, and who select an eligible provider. Parents may apply for a SOLVE Scholarship by visiting [www.gateway.ga.gov](http://www.gateway.ga.gov). Additional information on this program is available at [http://www.decal.ga.gov/CAPS/Solve.aspx](http://www.decal.ga.gov/CAPS/Solve.aspx) or by calling 1-833-4GA-CAPS.