

The Goddard School of Alexandria - Old Town Welcomes Destiny Chapman as New Operations Leader

Experienced Education and Program Management Leader Brings Expertise in Early Childhood Education, Student Services, and Family Engagement

ALEXANDRIA, VA, UNITED STATES, August 11, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The [Goddard School of Alexandria- Old Town](#), a premier early childhood

education center dedicated to providing a safe, nurturing, and engaging learning environment for young children has announced the hiring of Destiny Chapman as its new Operations Leader bringing an accomplished education and program management professional to the school's leadership team.

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Chapman brings extensive experience in education, student services, program management and operations, along with a strong academic background in education. She holds a Master of Science in Education in Education Policy from the University of Pennsylvania and a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education (Interdisciplinary Studies), graduating cum laude from Dallas Baptist University.

Throughout her career, Chapman has worked directly with students, families, educators and education-based organizations. Most recently, she served as a Director of Student Services and Program Manager at a private school serving middle and high school students, where she managed enrollment, scheduling and academic planning while overseeing student progress and strengthening family engagement.

Previously, Chapman served as an Operations Director and Customer Success Manager at a supplemental education center in Washington, D.C., where she helped drive significant enrollment growth and increased revenue while strengthening operations and the overall



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student and family experience. She also served as a Program Manager and Educator with a nationally recognized university-based program for academically talented students, where she provided instruction to learners from around the world and collaborated with colleagues to improve curriculum and instructional programs.

Her earlier experience includes serving as an Operations Manager, Program Manager and Math Educator for a public school district in Texas, where she led instruction for hundreds of learners and helped achieve significant improvements in student achievement and state assessment performance.

That combination of educational expertise, operational leadership and experience working with students and families makes Chapman a natural fit for The Goddard School of Old Town Alexandria.

"We are thrilled to welcome Destiny to our team," said Akhil Govil, owner and operator of The Goddard School of Alexandria - Old Town. "She brings an impressive combination of education, leadership and real-world experience, but what stood out to us most was her genuine commitment to children and families. She understands that early childhood education is about much more than simply caring for children. It is about creating the foundation for how they learn, grow and see themselves."

"Destiny is also joining an exceptional group of teachers and staff who care deeply about the children entrusted to us," Govil added. "We are excited about what she will bring to our school and to the families we serve. Her experience and perspective will strengthen an already



Destiny Chapman, Operations Leader Goddard School Old Town Alexandria



Akhil & Madhu Govil, Owners, The Goddard School of Alexandria - Old Town

wonderful team."

For Chapman, the opportunity is personal as well as professional. She is not only joining the school as a member of its leadership team, but also enrolling her own one-year-old daughter at the school too.

"Choosing a school for your own child changes the way you look at everything," Chapman said. "I was incredibly impressed by the environment at The Goddard School of Alexandria - Old Town, the structure, the curriculum and, most importantly, the people. I saw a school where children are genuinely known, cared for and encouraged to learn, and I knew it was the right place for my daughter."

"I am excited to be joining a team that understands that early childhood education is the beginning of a child's educational journey," Chapman continued. "Families are looking for more than daycare. They want an environment where their children are safe, loved, challenged, encouraged and prepared for what comes next. That is exactly what I see happening here, and I am proud that my daughter will experience it too."

Chapman said her professional background has reinforced her belief that the earliest years of a child's education can have a lasting impact.

"My career has allowed me to work with students at different stages of their educational development, and it has shown me how important those early years are," she said. "When children are given a nurturing environment, strong educational foundations and the confidence to explore and ask questions, they have an incredible opportunity to thrive. I am excited to help create that environment for the children and families at The Goddard School of Alexandria - Old Town."

The school's commitment to early education and the importance of those formative years was also highlighted in a recent op-ed by Govil, titled "[The Most Important Investment Parents Make Begins Before Kindergarten](#)," published by DC Journal. In the piece, Govil argues that parents' investment in their children's education begins well before the first day of kindergarten and that quality early childhood education can help establish the academic, social and emotional foundation children carry with them throughout their educational journey.

That philosophy is central to The Goddard School of Alexandria - Old Town's approach. The school is committed to providing children with a safe, loving and nurturing environment where they can learn, explore, develop confidence and thrive. Its educational approach is designed to support the whole child, while giving families confidence that their children are receiving meaningful preparation for the years ahead.

"Safety, love and education all go together," Govil said. "We want every child who walks through our doors to feel secure, valued and excited to learn. We want parents to know that their

children are not simply being looked after during the day. They are being given opportunities to grow, develop and build the skills and confidence they will need throughout their lives."

Chapman's arrival adds another experienced education professional to a school leadership team focused on delivering that mission every day.

"I feel very fortunate to be joining this team," Chapman said. "The staff here genuinely care about children, and that comes through in everything they do. I am looking forward to working alongside them, getting to know our families and helping make an already strong school even better."

About The Goddard School of Alexandria - Old Town

The Goddard School of Old Town Alexandria provides a warm, nurturing environment where children are encouraged to explore, discover, and develop a lifelong love of learning. Through a play-based curriculum, experienced educators, and a strong commitment to health, safety, and family engagement, the school helps children build the academic, social, and emotional skills they need to thrive. The school's leadership is dedicated to continuous improvement and to creating an exceptional educational experience for every child.

Learn more at <https://www.goddardschool.com/schools/va/alexandria/alexandria-old-town>.

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