



Notice of Petition to Amend Charter:
Competency-Based Program – Friendship PCS

ACTION: Open for Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT ACCEPTED UNTIL: **October 23, 2017**

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board ("DC PCSB") announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a request submitted by Friendship Public Charter School ("Friendship PCS") on September 15, 2017 to make several changes to its charter agreement, including a campus name change and updated addresses for two of its campuses and its community office. The school also seeks a waiver to offer competency-based credits in its high school programs effective for SY 2017-2018 and beyond.

Friendship PCS is currently in its nineteenth year of operation serving students in grades PK3-12 at twelve campuses across the District. Specifically, the school requests the following amendments:

Updated Campus/Office Addresses

Friendship PCS Armstrong: New address at 111 O Street, NW

Friendship PCS Online Academy: New address at 1351 Nicholson Street, NW

Friendship PCS Community Office: New address at 1400 First Street, NW, 3rd Floor

Campus Name Change

Effective immediately, Friendship PCS Woodridge Elementary and Middle Campuses will be called:

1. Friendship PCS Woodridge International Elementary
2. Friendship PCS Woodridge International Middle

Competency-Based Credits

Effective for SY 2017-2018, Friendship PCS seeks a waiver to offer competency-based credits in its high school programs to enhance students' individualized learning pathways and provide additional options for credit recovery.

Pursuant to the School Reform Act, D.C. Code 38-1802 et seq., a charter school must submit a petition to revise its charter, which includes its campus names, addresses and credit offerings.

DATES:

- Comments must be submitted on or before October 23, 2017.
- Public hearing will be held on October 23, 2017, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check www.dcpsb.org.
- Board vote will be held on November 20, 2017, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check www.dcpsb.org

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by "Friendship PCS - Notice of Petition for Name Change/Revised Addresses/Competency-Based Credits," by any of the following methods:

1. Submit a written comment via:
 - (a) E-mail*: public.comment@dcpsb.org
 - (b) Postal mail*: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14th ST. NW., Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010
 - (c) Hand Delivery/Courier*: Same as postal address above
2. Sign up to testify in-person at the public hearing on October 23, 2017, by emailing a request to public.comment@dcpsb.org by no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, October 19th.

*Please select only one of the actions listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jiselle O'Neal, Executive Team Coordinator at (202) 328-2660; email: joneal@dcpsb.org.

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