

## Notice of Petition to Amend Charter –Revised Goals Mary McLeod Bethune Day Academy Public Charter School

ACTION: Open for Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT ACCEPTED UNTIL: August 17, 2015

**SUMMARY**: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board ("PCSB") announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a request submitted by Mary McLeod Bethune Day Academy Public Charter School ("MM Bethune PCS") on May 28, 2015 to amend its charter by revising its goals and academic achievement expectations.

MM Bethune PCS is currently in its 11<sup>th</sup> year of operation serving students in grades prekindergarten-3 through eighth at a single campus located in Ward 5. After working closely with PCSB staff, the school is requesting to revise its goals in order to adopt the Performance Management Framework ("PMF"), along with one mission-specific goal that focuses on the school's Spanish language immersion program. The school's proposed mission-specific goal is intended to demonstrate the efficacy of the school's Spanish language immersion program, which is designed to provide a World Language to early childhood students to achieve competency in the second language (listening, speaking, reading and writing) and to gain a greater understanding and appreciation of other cultures.

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 goals.

## DATES:

- Comments must be submitted on or before August 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Public hearing will be held on Monday, August 17, 2015, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check www.dcpcsb.org.
- Vote will also be held on Monday, September 21, 2015, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check dcpcsb.org.

**ADDRESSES**: You may submit comments, identified by "MM Bethune PCS - Notice of Petition to Amend Charter – Revised Goals," by any of the following methods:

- 1. Submit a written comment via:
  - (a) E-mail\*: public.comment@dcpcsb.org
  - (b) Postal mail\*: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14<sup>th</sup> 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 August 17<sup>th</sup> by emailing a request to <a href="mailto:public.comment@dcpcsb.org">public.comment@dcpcsb.org</a> by no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Laterica (Teri) Quinn, Equity and Fidelity Specialist, at (202) 328-2660; email: <a href="mailto:lquinn@dcpcsb.org">lquinn@dcpcsb.org</a>.

PCSB reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse or remove any or all of your submission that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscene language.

<sup>\*</sup>Please select only one of the actions listed above.