

Notice of Petition to Amend Charter: Curriculum, Graduation Requirements, and Competency-Based Learning – **KIPP DC PCS** ACTION: Open for Public Comment PUBLIC COMMENT ACCEPTED UNTIL: April 20, 2020

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a written request submitted by KIPP DC Public Charter School (KIPP DC PCS) on March 10, 2020 to amend its charter by modifying its curriculum and graduation requirements. The amendment request also includes the introduction of a competency-based learning model.

Currently in its nineteenth year of operation, KIPP DC PCS educates students in grades pre-kindergarten 3 through 12 across 18 campuses. The school proposes launching a High School Success Program, which will provide students with an alternative pathway to a high school diploma. The program is intended to meet the unique academic and social-emotional needs of KIPP DC PCS high school students who largely meet the alternative criteria as defined by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education. The High School Success Program will include flexible programming and wrap-around services. The school plans to pilot the program with 20-40 students during school year 2020-21. KIPP DC PCS will operate the High School Success Program at its KIPP DC - College Preparatory PCS campus.

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 curriculum and graduation requirements.

DATES:

- Comments must be submitted on or before April 20, 2020.
- The public hearing will be held on April 20, 2020 at 6:30 pm. For the location, please check <u>www.dcpcsb.org</u>.
- The vote will be held on May 19, 2020, at 6:30 pm. For the location, please check <u>www.dcpcsb.org</u>.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by "KIPP DC PCS - Notice of Petition to Amend Charter – Curriculum, Graduation Requirements, and Competency-Based Learning," by any one of the methods listed below.

- 1. Submit a written comment* via
 - a) E-mail: public.comment@dcpcsb.org
 - b) Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14th Street NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010

*Please select <u>only one</u> of the actions listed.

2. Sign up to testify in-person at the public hearing on April 20, 2020 by emailing a request to <u>public.comment@dcpcsb.org</u> no later than 4:00 pm on Thursday, April 16, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Melodi Sampson, Senior Manager of School Quality and Accountability, at <u>msampson@dcpcsb.org</u> or 202-330-4046.

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