

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comments on a written request from Kingsman Academy Public Charter School (Kingsman PCS) on May 18, 2020. The school seeks a waiver to offer competency-based learning (CBL) units, which requires an amendment to its charter agreement.¹

Currently in its fifth year of operation, Kingsman PCS is an alternative school serving grades six through 12. Beginning in school year (SY) 2020-21, the school proposes changing its credit attainment system by requiring students to complete CBL units instead of Carnegie (or seat time) units. Kingsman PCS says adopting a CBL approach to credit attainment will complement the school's use of the Marzano Resources' personalized competency-based education (PCBE) framework. The school has been using the PCBE framework since SY 2016-17, and says it is unable "to implement the framework…in a way that is most conducive for student learning and success" because it is "implementing a competency-based framework in a Carnegie-Unit environment." As such, the school seeks a CBL waiver, enabling Kingsman PCS to implement the PCBE framework fully.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 22, 2020.

- The public hearing will be on June 22, 2020 at 6:30 pm. For the location, please check <u>www.dcpcsb.org</u>.
- The vote will be on July 20, 2020, at 6:30 pm. For the location, please check <u>www.dcpcsb.org</u>.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by "Kingsman PCS – Notice of Petition to Amend Charter – Competency-Based Learning Waiver," by any one of the methods listed below.²

- 1. Submit a written comment* via
 - a) E-mail: <u>public.comment@dcpcsb.org</u>
 - 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 June 22, 2020 by emailing a request to <u>public.comment@dcpcsb.org</u> no later than 4:00 pm on Thursday, June 18, 2020.

¹ Pursuant to the School Reform Act, D.C. Code 38-1802 et seq., a charter school must submit a petition to revise its charter.

² 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.

Contact: If you have questions, contact Melodi Sampson, Senior Manager of School Quality and Accountability, at <u>msampson@dcpcsb.org</u> or 202-330-2046.