



Notice of Charter Renewal:
Charter Renewals – **Multiple Schools**

Briya PCS

St. Coletta PCS

Washington Latin PCS

ACTION: Open for Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT ACCEPTED UNTIL: JANUARY 25, 2021

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comments on the DC public charter schools listed below, which are up for a charter renewal on January 25, 2021. Pending DC PCSB staff’s analysis, the Board may elect to do one of the following for each school: 1) renew the school’s charter **or** 2) commence charter revocation proceedings.

1. Briya Public Charter School (PCS):

Briya PCS is up for its 15-year charter renewal. The school currently operates a single campus across four facilities in Wards 1, 4, and 5. It serves adult students and their pre-kindergarten offspring. Its mission is to “strengthen families through culturally responsive two-generation education.”

2. St. Coletta Public Charter School:

St. Coletta PCS is up for its 15-year charter renewal. The school currently operates a single campus in Ward 7, where it serves students from the ages of 3 – 22. Its mission is to “empower children and adults with intellectual disabilities to discover their full potential.”

3. Washington Latin Public Charter School:

Washington Latin PCS is up for its 15-year charter renewal. The school currently operates a single campus in Ward 4. It serves students in grades 5 – 12. Its mission is “to provide a challenging, classical education that is accessible to students throughout the District of Columbia.”

Pursuant to the School Reform Act, D.C. Code 38-1802 et seq., DC PCSB is required to review each DC charter school’s performance at least once every five years, and if a school wants to continue operating beyond its original 15-year charter it must apply to DC PCSB in its fifteenth year of operation to renew its charter for another 15-year term. Briya PCS, St. Coletta PCS, and Washington Latin PCS submitted their respective renewal applications on November 2, 2020.

DATES:

- Comments must be submitted on or before January 25, 2021.
- Vote will be held on January 25, 2021, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check www.dcpccb.org.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by “School Name - Notice of Petition for Charter Renewal,” by any one of the methods listed below.¹

1. Submit a written comment via:
 - (a) Email: public.comment@dcpcs.org
 - (b) Postal mail: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14th Street NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010
 - (c) Hand Delivery/Courier*: Same as postal address above
2. Sign up to testify in-person at the board meeting on January 25, 2021, by emailing a request to public.comment@dcpcs.org by no later than 4:00 pm on January 21, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melodi Sampson, Senior Manager—School Quality and Accountability, at (202) 330-4046; email: msampson@dcpcs.org.

¹ 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.