



Notice of Petition to Amend Charter:  
Grade Expansion, Enrollment Ceiling Increase – **Digital Pioneers  
PCS**

ACTION: Open for Public Comment  
PUBLIC COMMENT ACCEPTED UNTIL: November 16, 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 Digital Pioneers Academy Public Charter School (Digital Pioneers PCS) on September 23, 2020. The school seeks to amend its charter agreement by expanding its grades served and increasing its enrollment ceiling.

Currently in its third year of operation, Digital Pioneers PCS educates 242 students in grades 6 – 8 in Ward 6. The school proposes expanding its program by adding grades 9 – 12. Specifically, the school plans to add grade 9 in school year (SY) 2021 – 22 and seeks to add a grade every year until reaching maturation in SY 2024 – 25. Digital Pioneers PCS proposes adding 120 seats per high school grade level, which would grow its enrollment ceiling from 360 to 840.

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 grades served and its enrollment ceiling.

**DATES:**

- Comments must be submitted on or before November 16, 2020.<sup>1</sup>
- The public hearing will be held on November 16, 2020 at 6:30 pm. For the location, please check [www.dcpccb.org](http://www.dcpccb.org).
- The vote will be held on December 10, 2020 at 6:30 pm. For the location, please check [www.dcpccb.org](http://www.dcpccb.org).

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by “Digital Pioneers PCS - Notice of Petition to Amend Charter – Grade Expansion, Enrollment Ceiling Increase,” by any one of the methods listed below.

1. Submit a written comment via
  - a) E-mail: [public.comment@dcpccb.org](mailto:public.comment@dcpccb.org)
  - b) Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010
2. Sign up to testify at the public hearing on November 16, 2020 by emailing a request to [public.comment@dcpccb.org](mailto:public.comment@dcpccb.org) no later than 4:00 pm on Thursday, November 12, 2020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** Melodi Sampson, Senior Manager of School Quality and Accountability, at [msampson@dcpccb.org](mailto:msampson@dcpccb.org) or 202-330-4046.

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<sup>1</sup> 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.