

## Notice of Request to Amend Charter Enrollment Ceiling Increase – **Friendship PCS** Open for Public Comment

## Public Comment Accepted Until July 18, 2022

**SUMMARY**: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to comment on a request from Friendship Academy Public Charter School (Friendship PCS) to amend its charter by increasing its enrollment ceiling. The school submitted its request on June 1, 2022.<sup>1</sup>

Founded in school year (SY) 1998 – 99, Friendship PCS educates 4,909 students in grades prekindergarten (PK) 3 through 12 across 15 campuses located in Wards 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8. The school requests approval to increase its enrollment ceiling from 5,115 students to 5,349 by SY 2026 – 27.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS**: The public hearing will be on July 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The vote will be on September 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Please check <a href="https://www.dcpcsb.org">www.dcpcsb.org</a> for the location of these meetings.

**PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS**: Comments must be submitted on or before July 18, 2022. You may submit comments by any one of the methods listed below.

- 1. Submit a written comment identified by "Friendship PCS Notice of Petition to Amend Charter Enrollment Ceiling Increase" via
  - a) E-mail: <a href="mailto:public.comment@dcpcsb.org">public.comment@dcpcsb.org</a>
  - 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 during the public hearing by e-mailing a request to public.comment@dcpcsb.org no later than 12:00 p.m. on July 18, 2022.
- 3. Submit voicemail testimony by phone: Call 202-328-2660 and select option 2. (You will have up to five minutes to record your testimony. Please note that all comments will be transcribed and made available to the public upon receipt.)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT**: Hannah Cousino, Sector Planning and Compliance Senior Manager, at <a href="https://ncousino@dcpcsb.org">hcousino@dcpcsb.org</a> or 202-328-2673

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> DC PCSB reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse, or remove any or all of a submission that it may deem inappropriate for publication, such as obscenities.