



Notice of Petition to Amend Charter:
Virtual Program – **Paul PCS**
Open for Public Comment
Public Comment Accepted Until June 26, 2023

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a request from Paul Public Charter School (Paul PCS) to amend its educational approach. The school submitted its request on June 5, 2023.¹

Paul PCS opened in 2000 under authorization from DC PCSB. The local education agency enrolls 743 students in grades six through twelve across two campuses in Ward 4. The school's mission is to "educate our students and develop in them the capacity to be responsible citizens, independent thinkers and leaders."

Paul PCS seeks to permanently offer virtual programming after piloting the "Virtual Fridays" program in school year 2022 – 23. Under the program, students and teachers will engage in virtual instruction on Fridays, which is the school's scheduled weekly half-day. Students may participate in virtual instruction from their homes or the school building. The school will provide in-person instruction Monday through Thursday.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: The public hearing will be on June 26, 2023 at 6 p.m. The vote will be on July 17, 2023 at 6 p.m. Please visit <https://dcpcsb.org/events> to register to attend the meeting.

HOW TO SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENTS: To ensure your comment is processed and reviewed,² please use one of the methods below:

1. Sign up to testify during the public hearing by going to <https://dcpcsb.org/public-comment>. Click on the "Sign up to Testify at the Meeting" tab to fill out the form. The deadline to sign up to testify is noon on June 26, 2023.
2. Submit a written comment identified via
 - a. Online form at <https://dcpcsb.org/public-comment>
 - b. Postal Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14th Street NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010.

Please note DC PCSB accepts written comments on or before 11:59 p.m. June 25, 2023.

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.



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3. Submit audio 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 OR QUESTIONS, CONTACT
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