

Notice of Charter Reviews – Multiple Schools:

DC Bilingual PCS

Meridian PCS

Two Rivers PCS

Open for Public Comment

Public Comment Accepted Until April 22, 2024

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 review on April 22, 2024. Pending DC PCSB staff's analysis, the Board may elect to do one of the following for schools up for review: 1) continue the school's charter without conditions, 2) conditionally continue the school's charter by imposing annual or interim targets or requirements it must meet, or 3) commence charter revocation proceedings.

1. DC Bilingual Public Charter School (DC Bilingual PCS)

DC Bilingual PCS is up for its 20-year charter review. The school operates one campus in Ward 5, where it serves students in grades pre-kindergarten 3 (PK3) – 5. Its mission is "to create a learning community that ensures high academic achievement for all students in both Spanish and English, develops leadership, and values all cultures."

2. Meridian Public Charter School (Meridian PCS)

Meridian PCS is up for its 25-year charter review. The school operates one campus in Ward 1, where it serves students in grades PK3 – 8. Its mission is: "Meridian Public Charter School is a rigorous Pre-K to 8th grade school, which academically and socially prepares its diverse student population to be successful in an increasingly global and technology-based society."

3. Two Rivers Public Charter School (Two Rivers PCS)

Two Rivers PCS is up for its 20-year charter review. The school operates three campuses across four facilities in Wards 5 and 6. It serves students in grades PK3 – 8. The school's mission is "to nurture a diverse group of students to become lifelong, active participants in their own education, develop a sense of self and community, and become responsible and compassionate members of society."

Pursuant to the School Reform Act, D.C. Code 38-1802 et seq., DC PCSB is required to review each DC public charter school's performance at least once every five years.

PUBLIC MEETING: DC PCSB will discuss and vote on DC Bilingual PCS, Meridian PCS, and Two Rivers PCS on April 22, 2024, at 6:00 pm. Please check <u>www.dcpcsb.org</u> to register to attend the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS: Comments must be submitted on or before April 22, 2024. You may submit comments by any one of the methods listed below.

- Sign up to testify during the public hearing by going to <u>https://dcpcsb.org/public-comment.</u> 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 April 22, 2024.
- 2. Submit a written comment identified via
 - a. Online form at https://dcpcsb.org/public-comment
 - Postal Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14th Street NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010.
- 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, CONTACT: Gina Lucchesi, a Senior Specialist in the School Performance Department, at glucchesi@dcpcsb.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.