



Notice of Petition to Amend Charter:  
Asset Acquisition of Eagle Academy PCS,  
Enrollment Ceiling Increase, Facilities, Campuses – **Friendship PCS**  
Open for Public Comment  
**Public Comment Accepted Until August 14, 2024**

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**SUMMARY:** The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a request from Friendship (PCS) to amend its charter agreement. The school plans to acquire the assets of Eagle Academy PCS, including its students and campus locations, beginning in school year (SY) 2024 – 25. The school submitted its initial request on July 29, 2024, then an updated application on August 1, 2024.<sup>1</sup>

In its 26<sup>th</sup> year of operation, Friendship PCS educates 4,548 students in grades pre-kindergarten 3 (PK3) through 12 across 15 campuses and 11 facilities. The school has a current enrollment ceiling of 5,115 students.

To accommodate the asset acquisition, Friendship PCS seeks a charter amendment to add two facilities and campuses as well as increase its enrollment ceiling. The school proposes to operate from 3400 Wheeler Road SE (Ward 8) and 1900 Half Street SW (Ward 6). These facilities are the addresses of Eagle Academy PCS – Congress Heights and Capitol Riverfront respectively. Also, the school requests an enrollment ceiling increase of 508 students over five years. Between SY 2026 – 27 and 2030 – 31, the maximum enrollment total would increase from 5,115 to 5,623.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS:** The public hearing will be on August 14, 2024 at 6 p.m. The vote will be on August 19, 2024 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,<sup>2</sup> 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 August 14, 2024.
2. Submit a written comment identified via
  - a. Online form at <https://dcpcsb.org/public-comment>

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<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>2</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.



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- b. Postal Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 100 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Please note DC PCSB accepts written comments on or before 11:59 p.m. August 14, 2024.

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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