



Notice of Petition to Amend Charter:
Graduation Requirements – **BASIS DC PCS**
Open for Public Comment
Public Comment Accepted Until May 19, 2025

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a request from BASIS DC Public Charter School (PCS) to amend its charter agreement by revising its graduation requirements. The school submitted its request on March 28, 2025.¹

BASIS DC PCS seeks to make the following adjustments beginning in school year (SY) 2025 – 26.

- Students in grade 8 may earn 1.0 Elective credit and 1.0 Foreign Language credit for passing high-school level courses.
- Students must earn 1.0 Advanced Placement (AP) Economics credit, replacing the previous 0.5 Economics credit.
- The graduating classes of 2030 and beyond must earn 26.0 total credits, instead of 25.5. credits.

BASIS DC PCS began operation in SY 2012 – 13 and educates students in grades 5 – 12. The school currently enrolls 692 students at one facility located in Ward 2.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: The public hearing will be on May 19 at 6 p.m. The vote will be on June 23, 2025, 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 May 19, 2025.
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, 100 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

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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Please note DC PCSB accepts written comments on or before 11:59 p.m. May 19, 2025.

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: Kristie Dennis, Manager, Sector Planning and Compliance, at kdennis@dcpcsb.org.