

**SUMMARY:** The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a request from The Sojourner Truth Public Charter School (Sojourner Truth PCS) to amend its charter agreement by operating at a temporary facility. The school submitted its request on July 21, 2025.<sup>1</sup>

The school is experiencing construction delays at its recently approved facility located at 3420 16th Street NE (Ward 5). Until the site is ready for students and staff, Sojourner Truth PCS proposes temporarily locating at 2917 8th Street NE for up to the first month of the school year.

Founded in school year 2020 – 21, Sojourner Truth PCS will serve grades 6 – 12 this fall. Students in grades 6 – 8 will remain at 1800 Perry Street NE in Ward 5. Students in grades 9 – 12 will be located at 3420 16th Street NE (Ward 5). Its mission is to "empower students to transform the world."

**PUBLIC MEETINGS:** The public hearing will be on August 25, 2025, at 6 p.m. The vote will also be on August 25, 2025, at 6 p.m. Please visit <u>https://dcpcsb.org/events</u> 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:

- 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 25, 2025.
- 2. Submit a written comment identified via
  - a. Online form at <u>https://dcpcsb.org/public-comment</u>
  - Postal Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 100 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

<sup>&</sup>lt;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 your submission that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscene language.



Please note DC PCSB accepts written comments on or before 11:59 p.m. August 25, 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** Bijon Lane, Specialist, School Performance Department, at <u>blane@dcpcsb.org</u>.