



Notice of Petition to Amend Charter:  
Competency-Based Unit Waiver – **BASIS DC PCS**  
Open for Public Comment  
**Public Comment Accepted Until October 27, 2025**

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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 BASIS DC Public Charter School (PCS) to amend the graduation requirements in its charter agreement. The school submitted its request on August 29, 2025.<sup>1</sup>

Currently in its 13<sup>th</sup> year of operation, BASIS DC PCS educates 698 students in grades 5 – 12 in one facility in Ward 2. The school's mission is to "provide an academically excellent and rigorous liberal arts college preparatory education available to all middle and high school students of the District of Columbia."

BASIS DC PCS requests approval to offer competency-based credits in place of Carnegie units for students in grades 6 – 8 who demonstrate mastery of Algebra I, II, and Geometry content. Eligible students may earn 1.5 competency-based credits each for passing the courses Algebra I & Geometry and Algebra II & Geometry.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS:** The public hearing will be on October 27 at 6 p.m. The vote will be on November 17, 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,<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 October 27, 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

Please note DC PCSB accepts written comments on or before 11:59 p.m. October 27, 2025.

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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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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@dcpcs.org](mailto:kdennis@dcpcs.org).