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**PUBLIC COMMENT EXTENDED UNTIL:** June 25, 2018\*

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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 submitted by Friendship Public Charter School (“Friendship PCS”) to expand their online program to serve high school students.

Friendship PCS submits this charter amendment request to operate a virtual online high school serving students in grades 9-12. The school proposes to add a campus to broaden access to an education that will prepare students with 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and propel them to active participation in today’s global economy. Friendship PCS is in the process of interviewing online providers whose curriculum is aligned to the Common Core State Standards and their instructional philosophy.

Pursuant to the School Reform Act, D.C. Code 38-1802 et seq., a charter school must submit a petition to revise its charter, which includes expansion. The school’s amendment application can be found here: <https://dcpcsb.egnyte.com/dl/H7VKt4myhE>.

**DATES:**

- Comments must be submitted on or before June 25, 2018.  
*\*Note: Meeting date changed from June 18, 2018 to June 25, 2018.*
- Public hearing will be held on June 25, 2018, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check [www.dcpcsb.org](http://www.dcpcsb.org).
- Vote will also be held on July 23, 2018, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check [www.dcpcsb.org](http://www.dcpcsb.org).

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by “Friendship PCS - Notice of Petition to Amend Charter – Expansion,” by any of the following methods:

1. Submit a written comment via:
  - (a) E-mail\*: [public.comment@dcpcsb.org](mailto:public.comment@dcpcsb.org)
  - (b) Postal mail\*: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14<sup>th</sup> ST. NW., Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010
  - (c) Hand Delivery/Courier\*: Same as postal address above
2. Sign up to testify in-person at the public hearing on June 25, 2018, by emailing a request to [public.comment@dcpcsb.org](mailto:public.comment@dcpcsb.org) by no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 21.

\*Please select only one of the actions listed above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Laterica (Teri) Quinn, Senior Manager of School Quality and Accountability, at (202) 328-2660; email: [lquinn@dcpcsb.org](mailto:lquinn@dcpcsb.org).

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