

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on an amendment request submitted by Meridian Public Charter School (Meridian PCS) on December 13, 2019, to relocate its middle school program to a new location in Ward 1, effective for school year (SY) 2020-21.

Meridian PCS is a single campus local education agency (LEA) currently in its twenty-first year of operation educating students in grades prekindergarten-3 (PK3) through eighth at two facilities in Ward 1. The school currently operates its lower school program for grades PK3-6 at a facility on 13th Street NW, and it also operates a middle school campus for grades 7-8 at a facility on 14th Street NW. Per the school's amendment application, the LEA is seeking to relocate its middle school program to a new location at 770 Kenyon Street NW, also in Ward 1, effective for SY 2020-21. If approved, the school will move its sixth grade students to serve grades 6-8 at the proposed new site, and Meridian PCS will continue serving grades PK-5 at its existing facility on 13th Street NW.

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 its campus and facility locations.

DATES:

- Comments must be submitted on or before January 27, 2020.
- Public hearing will be held on January 27, 2020, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check <u>www.dcpcsb.org</u>.
- Vote will also be held on February 24, 2020, at 6:30 pm. For location, please check <u>www.dcpcsb.org</u>.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by "Meridian PCS - Notice of Petition to Amend Charter – New Location," by any of the following methods:

- 1. Submit a written comment via:
 - (a) E-mail*: public.comment@dcpcsb.org
 - (b) Postal mail*: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14th 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 January 27, 2020, by emailing a request to <u>public.comment@dcpcsb.org</u> by no later than 4 p.m. on Thursday, January 23, 2020.

*Please select <u>only one</u> of the actions listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laterica (Teri) Quinn, Senior Manager—School Quality and Accountability, at (202) 328-2660 or <u>lquinn@dcpcsb.org</u>.

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.