



Notice of Request to Amend Charter:
Additional Facility, Campus Names – **Washington Latin PCS**
Open for Public Comment
Public Comment Accepted Until: December 20, 2021

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to comment on a request from Washington Latin Public Charter School (PCS) to amend its charter agreement. The school seeks authorization to 1) operate a second facility and 2) name two approved campuses it has yet to open. Washington Latin PCS submitted its request on October 26, 2021. The school submitted a revised request on November 2, 2021.

Washington Latin PCS enrolls 755 students in grades 5 – 12 across two campuses—one middle school and one high school—in a single facility in Ward 4. In July 2019, DC PCSB conditionally approved Washington Latin PCS’s request to increase its enrollment ceiling (from 784 students to 1, 490 students) and replicate its model by opening another two-campus facility.

Having since fulfilled the conditions for approval, Washington Latin PCS proposes temporarily operating a second facility located at 711 Edgewood Street NE in Ward 5. In SY 2022 – 23, Washington Latin PCS requests to open its second middle school campus, to be named Washington Latin PCS: The Anna Julia Cooper Campus Middle School, at the proposed facility. In SY 2024 – 25, Washington Latin PCS requests to open its second high school campus, to be named Washington Latin PCS: The Anna Julia Cooper Campus High School, at the proposed facility.

The school executed a three-year lease to use the proposed space, which will hold four grade levels. Over the coming years, Washington Latin PCS will search for a permanent facility that will house grades 5 – 12. The school will submit another charter agreement amendment application when it identifies such a space.

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 location and campus names.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: The public hearing will be on December 20, 2021 at 6:30 pm. The vote will be on January 24, 2022 at 6:30 pm. Please check www.dcpsb.org for the location for these meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS: Comments must be submitted on or before December 20, 2021.¹ You may submit comments identified by “Washington Latin PCS - Notice of Petition to Amend Charter – Additional Facility and Campus Names” by any one of the methods listed below.

1. Submit a written comment via
 - a) E-mail: public.comment@dcpcsb.org
 - b) Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14th Street NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010
2. Sign up to testify during the public hearing by e-mailing a request to public.comment@dcpcsb.org no later than noon on December 20, 2021
3. Submit voicemail testimony by phone: Call (202) 328-2660, 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, CONTACT Melodi Sampson, Senior Manager of School Quality and Accountability, at msampson@dcpcsb.org.

¹ 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.