



Notice of Request to Amend Charter  
Campus Extension, Goals – **Maya Angelou PCS**  
Open for Public Comment  
**Public Comment Accepted Until June 27, 2022**

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**SUMMARY:** The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to comment on a request from Maya Angelou Public Charter School (Maya Angelou PCS) to amend its charter agreement. The school will submit its charter agreement amendment application no later than May 20, 2022.<sup>1</sup> DC PCSB will publicly release the school's application upon receipt.

In Spring 2021, the District of Columbia Department of Corrections (DOC) contacted the See Forever Foundation, Maya Angelou PCS's management organization, to propose a one-year contract through which Maya Angelou PCS would provide educational services for Inspiring Youth Program (IYP) students incarcerated at the DC Jail. In August 2021, DC PCSB approved Maya Angelou PCS to operate a new campus, Maya Angelou PCS – Academy at DC Jail, during school year (SY) 2021 – 22. DOC seeks to continue its partnership with Maya Angelou PCS for an additional school year. Consequently, Maya Angelou PCS requests DC PCSB's approval to continue operating Maya Angelou PCS – Academy at DC Jail during SY 2022 – 23. The school expects to cease operating Maya Angelou PCS – Academy at DC Jail at the end of SY 2022 – 23, when DOC will have identified a permanent mechanism to provide educational services for IYP.

Maya Angelou PCS also requests DC PCSB's approval to modify its goals and academic achievement expectations by adopting a new assessment for its Maya Angelou PCS – High School campus.

Currently in its twenty-fourth year of operation, Maya Angelou PCS educates 325 high school, alternative, and adult students across three campuses in two facilities. The school's mission is to

create learning communities in lower income urban areas where all students, particularly those who have not succeeded in traditional school settings, can grow academically and socially. At Maya Angelou, our students develop the academic, social, and employment skills that they need to build rewarding lives and promote positive change in their communities.

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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.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS:** The public hearing will be on June 27, 2022 at 6:00 pm. The vote will be on July 18, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Please check [www.dcpccb.org](http://www.dcpccb.org) to register to attend the virtual meetings.

**PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS:** Comments must be submitted on or before June 27, 2022.<sup>2</sup> You may submit comments by any one of the methods listed below.

1. Submit a written comment identified by “Maya Angelou PCS - Notice of Petition to Amend Charter – Campus Extension, Goals” via
  - a) E-mail: [public.comment@dcpccb.org](mailto:public.comment@dcpccb.org)
  - b) Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010
2. Sign up to testify during the public hearing by e-mailing a request to [public.comment@dcpccb.org](mailto:public.comment@dcpccb.org) no later than noon on June 27, 2022.
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, a Senior Manager in the School Performance Department, at [msampson@dcpccb.org](mailto:msampson@dcpccb.org).

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<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.