

Notice of Request to Amend Charter: Additional Facility - **Briya PCS** Open for Public Comment

Public Comment Accepted Until: March 20, 2023

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to comment on a request from Briya Public Charter School (PCS) to amend its charter agreement. The school seeks authorization to relocate to 801 Shepherd Street NW ahead of school year (SY) 2023 – 24. Briya PCS submitted its request on January 26, 2023.

Currently in its 16th year of operation, Briya PCS enrolls 759 pre-kindergarten and adult students. Briya PCS operates four facilities, including a building it shares with District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) at 4300 13th Street NW. DCPS will soon reclaim the entire space at 4300 13th Street NW, and Briya PCS must relocate. As previously mentioned, Briya PCS aims to serve students in a facility located at 801 Shepard Street NW beginning in SY 2023 – 24. The school will share the proposed facility with the Metropolitan Police Department and the Boys and Girls Club. The school will continue operating its other three facilities.

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.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: The public hearing will be on March 20, 2023 at 6:00 pm. The vote will be on April 24, 2023 at 6:00 pm. Please check <u>www.dcpcsb.org</u> for the location for these meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS: Comments must be submitted on or before March 20, 2023. You may submit comments identified by "Briya PCS - Notice of Petition to Amend Charter - Additional Facility" 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 March 20, 2023.

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.

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 Director in the School Performance Department, at msampson@dcpcsb.org.