



SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a request from DC Scholars Public Charter School (PCS) to amend its charter agreement. The school seeks approval to update its mission statement to emphasize a “well-rounded” educational philosophy. The school submitted its application on March 13, 2024.

In its 12th year of operation, DC Scholars PCS enrolls 491 students in grades prekindergarten-3 (PK3) through 8 at a single campus. Its current and proposed mission statements are as follows:

Current Mission	Proposed Mission
DC Scholars Public Charter School, serving grades PS through 8, prepares students for the path to college, and provides students with the foundation of life skills to become productive members of their community.	DC Scholars Public Charter School, serving grades PS through 8, develops life-long scholars who have the academic knowledge and skills, individual passions, <i>and</i> community-mindedness necessary to succeed in and contribute to an ever-changing world.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: The public hearing will be on April 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. The vote will be on April 22, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Please visit www.dcpsb.org to register.

HOW TO SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENTS: You may submit comments by any one of the methods listed below.¹

1. Testify during the public meeting on April 8, 2024. To register, please visit <https://dcpsb.org/public-comment>. Click “Sign up to Testify at the Meeting,” then complete the form. Please note you must sign up no later than noon on March 18, 2024.
2. Submit a written comment on or before 11:59 pm the day before the public meeting via
 - a. “Submit a Written Comment” at <https://dcpsb.org/public-comment>.

¹ DC PCSB reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, redact, refuse, or remove any or all of a submission that it may deem inappropriate for publication, such as obscenities.



Notice of Petition to Amend Charter:
Mission Statement Amendment Request – **DC Scholars PCS**
Open for Public Comment
Public Comment Accepted Until April 8, 2024

- b. Postal mail, hand delivery, or courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 3333 14th Street NW, Suite 210, Washington, DC 20010.
3. Submit voicemail testimony by calling (202) 328-2660 and selecting option 2. You will have up to five minutes to record your testimony. All comments will be transcribed and made available to the public upon receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS, CONTACT: Hannah Cousino, Senior Manager, School Performance Department, at hcousino@dcpcs.org.