



Notice of Request to Amend Charter
Enrollment Ceiling Increase & Facility – **Sojourner Truth School PCS**
Open for Public Comment
Public Comment Accepted Until May 20, 2024

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to comment on a request from The Sojourner Truth Public Charter School (Sojourner Truth PCS) to amend its charter by increasing its enrollment ceiling and opening a second facility. The school submitted its request on April 3, 2024.¹

The school seeks to increase its enrollment ceiling by a total of 10 students beginning in SY 2026 – 27. As the school continues to add grades, it will reach a maximum enrollment of 460 students in SY 2027 – 28. To accommodate the expansion, Sojourner Truth PCS proposes operating a second facility at 3420 16th Street NE in Ward 5. Grades 9 – 12 will be served at the new 16th Street NE facility, whereas grades 6 – 8 will remain at the Perry Street NE facility.

Founded in school year (SY) 2020 – 21, Sojourner Truth PCS educates 284 students in grades 6 through 10 at a single facility located at 1800 Perry Street NE in Ward 5. Its mission is to “empower students to transform the world.”

PUBLIC MEETINGS: The public hearing will be on May 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. The vote will be on June 24, 2023⁴ at 6:00 p.m. Please visit www.dcpccb.org to register for the meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS: Comments must be submitted on or before May 20, 2024.² You may submit comments identified by “Sojourner Truth PCS – Charter Amendment” by one of the following methods.

1. Sign up to testify at <https://dcpccb.org/public-comment>. Click “Sign up to Testify at the Meeting,” then fill out the form by 12:00 p.m. on May 20, 2024. You will have two minutes to testify.
2. Submit a written comment via
 - a. “Submit a Written Comment” at <https://dcpccb.org/public-comment>.

¹ Pursuant to the School Reform Act, D.C. Code 38-1802 et seq., a charter school must submit a petition to revise its charter.

² 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.

- 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 audio 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.

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