



Notice of Petition to Amend Charter
Goals – **Goodwill Excel PCS**
Open for Public Comment

Public Comment Accepted Until: April 28, 2025

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to comment on a request from Goodwill Excel Center Public Charter School (Goodwill Excel PCS) to amend its charter by modifying its goals and academic achievement expectations (charter goals). The school submitted its request on March 17, 2025.¹

Currently in its ninth year of operation, Goodwill Excel PCS educates 438 students aged 14 or older at a single campus across two facilities in Wards 2 and 6. The school’s mission is to “transform adult lives through the power of achieving a high school diploma and accessing post-secondary education and careers in growing, sustainable local industries.”

Goodwill Excel PCS seeks to revise its reading progress charter goal for school year (SY) 2025 – 26 and beyond. Goodwill Excel PCS proposes using the Exact Path assessment in place of the Scholastic Reading Inventory (SRI). The school is proposing this change because the SRI, which is currently used to measure its reading progress goal, was retired by the assessment publisher, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, in July 2024.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: The public hearing will be on April 28, 2025 at 6 p.m. The vote will be on May 19, 2025 at 6 p.m. Please check www.dcpccb.org to register to attend the virtual meetings.

HOW TO SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENTS: You may submit comments by any one of the methods listed below.²

1. Testify during the public meeting on April 28, 2025. To register, please visit <https://dcpccb.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 April 28, 2025.
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://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 your submission that it may deem to be inappropriate for publication, such as obscenities.

- b. Postal mail, hand delivery, or courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 100 M Street SE, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20003
3. Submit voicemail testimony by calling (202) 328-2660 and select 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, CONTACT: Starling Temp, a Senior Specialist in the School Performance Department, at stemp@dcpcsb.org.