

Notice of Petition to Amend Charter: Grades Served, Facility – **Cedar Tree PCS** Open for Public Comment

Public Comment Accepted Until May 19, 2025

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comment on a request from Cedar Tree Academy Public Charter School (Cedar Tree PCS) to amend its charter agreement by expanding its grades served and opening a new facility. The school submitted its request on March 27, 2025.¹

The school seeks to expand grades served from prekindergarten (PK) 3-2 to PK3 -5. To accommodate this expansion, Cedar Tree PCS proposes building a new facility on its current lot.

Currently in its 25th year of operation, Cedar Tree PCS educates 399 students at a single facility located at 701 Howard Road SE in Ward 8.

PUBLIC MEETINGS: The public hearing will be on May 19, 2025, at 6 p.m. The vote will be on June 23, 2025, at 6 p.m. Please visit https://dcpcsb.org/events to register to attend the meeting.

HOW TO SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENTS: To ensure your comment is processed and reviewed,² please use one of the methods below:

- Sign up to testify during the public hearing by going to https://dcpcsb.org/public-comment.
 Click on the "Sign up to Testify at the Meeting" tab to fill out the form. The deadline to sign up to testify is noon on May 19, 2025.
- 2. Submit a written comment identified via
 - a. Online form at https://dcpcsb.org/public-comment
 - Postal Mail, Hand Delivery, or Courier: Attn: Public Comment, DC Public Charter School Board, 100 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Please note DC PCSB accepts written comments on or before 11:59 p.m. May 19, 2025.

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 obscene language.



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3. Submit audio testimony by phone: Call (202) 328-2660 and 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 OR QUESTIONS, CONTACT: Bijon Lane, Sector Planning and Compliance Specialist, at blane@dcpcsb.org.