

Notice of Charter Reviews – Multiple Schools:

Capital City PCS
Girls Global PCS
MM Bethune PCS
Paul PCS
Open for Public Comment

Public Comment Accepted Until June 2, 2025

SUMMARY: The District of Columbia Public Charter School Board (DC PCSB) announces an opportunity for the public to submit comments on the DC public charter schools listed below which are up for a charter review on June 2, 2025. Pending DC PCSB staff's analysis, the Board may elect to do one of the following for schools up for review: 1) continue the school's charter without conditions, 2) conditionally continue the school's charter by imposing annual or interim targets or requirements it must meet, or 3) initiate charter revocation proceedings.

- 1. <u>Capital City Public Charter School (Capital City PCS)</u>
 - Capital City PCS is up for its 25-year charter review. The school operates three campuses in Ward 4. It serves students in grades pre-kindergarten 3 (PK3) 12. Its mission is: "Capital City enables a diverse group of students to meet high expectations; develop creativity, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills; achieve deep understanding of complex subjects; and acquire a love of learning along with a strong sense of community and character. We will graduate young adults who are self-directed, intellectually engaged, and possess a commitment to personal and civic responsibility."
- 2. <u>Girls Global Public Charter School (Girls Global PCS)</u>
 Girls Global PCS is up for its five-year charter review. The school operates one campus in Ward 2, where it serves students in grades 9 12. Its mission is "to foster pathways to lead and learn."
- 3. Mary McLeod Bethune Day Academy Public Charter School (MM Bethune PCS) MM Bethune PCS is up for its 20-year charter review. The school operates one campus in Wards 4 and 5. It serves students in grades PK3 8. Its mission is "to implement a high performing day school that provides a challenging academic program in a supportive, parentally involved, and diverse learning environment to enable each student to achieve academic success, talent, and positive social development."
- 4. Paul Public Charter School (Paul PCS)

Paul PCS is up for its 25-year charter review. The school operates two campuses in Ward 4. It serves students in grades 5 – 12. The school's mission is "to educate

our students and to develop in them the capacity to be responsible citizens, independent thinkers, and leaders."

Pursuant to the School Reform Act, D.C. Code 38-1802 et seq., DC PCSB is required to review each DC public charter school's performance at least once every five years.

PUBLIC MEETING: DC PCSB will discuss and vote on Capital City PCS, Girls Global PCS, MM Bethune PCS, and Paul PCS on June 2, 2025, at 6:00 pm. Please check www.dcpcsb.org to register to attend the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS: Comments must be submitted on or before June 2, 2025.¹ You may submit comments by any one of the methods listed 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 June 2, 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.
- 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, CONTACT: Gina Lucchesi, a Manager in the School Performance Department, at glucchesi@dcpcsb.org.

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.