Announcements and Opportunities:

Ward 6 State Board of Education Candidates Virtual Forum Wednesday, September 28

One of the choices Ward 6 voters will be making this fall is who will represent our Ward on the DC State Board of Education. Two candidates are running: Brandon Best and Joshua Wiley. Join us to learn more about them, hear their visions for education in DC, and get your questions answered.

Date: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 Time: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Location: Virtual, Zoom link provided on registration RSVP: https://www.mobilize.us/ward6demsdc/event/498054/ Submit your questions for the candidates to: debate@hillrag.com. Sponsored by: The Ward 6 Democrats, The Hill Rag, PAVE (Parents Amplifying Voices in Education) Ward 6 Public Schools Parent Organization (W6PSPO) Moderated by: Denise Forte, interim CEO of The Education Trust
**Charter School Revised Guidelines: Charter School Revised Guidelines for Applying**

Demonstrated Need for the School: The applicant makes a compelling case for why the school fills an unmet need in the DC, educational landscape. The applicant understands and successfully responds to the relevant data identified in the Sector Planning Supplement, informing the case for demand for the school program. Based on the proposed grades served, these data may include, but are not limited to, MSDC lottery results, midyear entries and withdrawals, historical enrollment, population forecasts, previously approved growth, and family and community outreach. In context of all requests received for new schools, enrollment ceiling increases, grade expansion, and existing school replications, staff determines that the city can sustain this school.

**Join us for a Facebook Live on Wednesday, 9/21 at noon to hear about the Updated DC Dyslexia Guidebook**

In partnership with the Office of the Student Advocate, Decoding Dyslexia DC has worked to update the DC Dyslexia Guidebook! Join us for a Facebook Live to hear about the guidebook, DC's dyslexia law and how to help your DC struggling reader or speller. You can view the Facebook Live by going to [facebook.com/DCAdvocate](http://facebook.com/DCAdvocate). You do not need a Facebook account to watch the Live event.

**DC Local School Advisory Team (LSAT) Collective**

Steve Bowen (Payne Elementary parent) and along with Marion Babcock (School Without Walls parent), and Elizabeth Corinth (School Within A School parent) are re-booting the DC Local School Advisory Team (LSAT) Collective. They plan to provide LSAT members from across DC with regular virtual meetings and a website/platform to share best practices for LSAT meetings, learn from subject matter experts in education, and build a coalition for public school advocacy. You can also check out the [website](http://www.c4dcpublicschools.org) we are building -- this is a work in progress and we will flesh it out in the coming months with additional info and resources.

**DC HEALTH**

Families can also access COVID-19 vaccines for their children and adolescents at the following COVID Centers:

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Each clinic has slightly different hours for each day, so please see the specific schedule for each COVID Center at the following [link](https://www.actionnetwork.org/letters/create-the-office-of-migrant-services-without-harming-unhoused-residents?clear_id=true&source=direct_link). This link is updated daily as well.

**Create the Office of Migrant Services without harming unhoused residents**


**METRO PASSES**: Over the next few weeks, cards are being sent directly to all DC Public Schools and DC public charter schools for distribution, allowing families to pick up cards directly from their child's school. Once students receive their cards, they are encouraged to use them at all times within the Metro system in order to track the program's usage and ensure compliance with Metro policies. To be eligible for participation in the Kids Ride Free program, each student must be:

- A resident of Washington, DC;
- Ages 5 through 21*;
- Enrolled in an elementary or secondary public, public charter, private, or parochial school located within the District, or youth in the care of the District.

*Children under the age of five may travel for free with a paying passenger.

For additional information and [Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.actionnetwork.org/letters/create-the-office-of-migrant-services-without-harming-unhoused-residents?clear_id=true&source=direct_link) about the Kids Ride Free program, please visit [kidsridefree.dc.gov](http://www.kidsridefree.dc.gov) and watch this [Kids Ride Free video](http://www.kidsridefree.dc.gov). Families may also contact their School ID Administrator or DDOT’s School Transit Subsidy Program Office at (202) 673-1740.

http://www.c4dcpublicschools.org/
The DC High School Alumni Association is sponsoring a workshop on Communication and Conflict Resolution. Registration form. This workshop, based on the "Help Increase the Peace program" (developed by the American Friends Service Committee in the 1990's but is, nonetheless, current!) is offered again -- for later this month: Sep. 24 & 25, and Oct. 15 & 16. Tarek Maassarani is the lead facilitator.

A special feature this time will be to participate via ZOOM for 2 hours each day of Nov.12, 13 & 18 from 2 - 4 PM with students in the Dominican Republic (DR). The DR workshop will be presented in Spanish (but with translation). So, for those who wish to participate via ZOOM in November, an ability to speak or, at least, to understand spoken Spanish would be helpful, but not required.

Recent Data Releases: The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education (DME) recently released Part Two in a series of Edsights looking at annual births in Washington, DC. In the latest, a birth to kindergarten ratio is applied to forecast future Kindergarten enrollment. Read the recently released Edsight, Annual Births in DC, Part 2. EdScape can be found at https://edscape.dc.gov/. Edsights can be found at https://dme.dc.gov/page/edsight

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education recently published datasets for the Public School Enrollments per DCPS Boundary for SY20-21 and SY21-22.

Globalize DC: https://www.globalizedc.org/opportunities/overview/ Globalize DC serves as an information clearinghouse for all those involved and interested in K-12 global education in Washington, DC. Please note: Because our goal is to provide accessible opportunities, we concentrate on free and almost free opportunities, rather than fee-based programs.

School Parking Zones: Schools hoping to be prepared to apply for SPZ permits can prepare by developing a School SustainableTransportation Plan: https://godcgo.com/school

Upcoming SBOE and Council Hearings:

http://www.c4dcpublicschools.org/
- **C4DC website blog** has member testimony on recent Council hearing on the Budget bills. You can review them [here](http://www.c4dcpublicschools.org/).

- **SBOE**. Sign up [here](http://www.c4dcpublicschools.org/) to testify at SBOE meetings. Working meetings are the first Wednesday - available to watch. SBOE meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday.

- **Committee of the Whole Hearings and Roundtables.** Hearing Notices, Witness Lists, and Submitted Testimony for hearings can be viewed [here](http://www.c4dcpublicschools.org/). Check the hearing notices for additional information about providing testimony.

- **DC Council Committee of the Whole Upcoming Education Hearings**

  Use the links below to register for upcoming Committee of the Whole Hearings and Roundtables. If you have logistical questions, please refer to the hearing or roundtable notice. For all other questions, including interpretation requests, email [cow@dccouncil.us](mailto:cow@dccouncil.us) or call (202) 724-8196.

  Please submit your written testimony to [cow@dccouncil.us](mailto:cow@dccouncil.us) at least 24 hours prior to the hearing.

  The deadline to sign up for most hearings is 5pm on the second business day before the hearing.

  Please refer to the hearing notice.

  Hearing Notices, Witness Lists, and Submitted Testimony for the hearings below can be viewed [here](http://www.c4dcpublicschools.org/). Check the hearing notices for additional information about providing testimony.

  *Per Committee of the Whole Rule 506(d): Any request to testify as a public witness shall be made by the person seeking to testify or by a bona fide representative of the person seeking to testify. The Committee will not honor requests for one or more persons to testify made by a third party that is not directly affiliated with the person(s).*

  The Committee will not honor placeholder registrations after the deadline. You may update your registration (including changing a name) by clicking “Edit Response” in your confirmation email up until the registration deadline. Substitutions after the deadline may not be honored.

- **9.27.22 – B24-262 Access to Transcripts and B24-665 AP Exams**
- **9.27.22 – PR24-814 Stoddert Elementary and Ward 3 Enrollment**
- **9.28.22 – Student Athletics Legislation (3 Bills)**
- **9.30.22 – Illegal Construction Legislation (2 Bills)**
- **10.6.22 – B24-81 Financial Literacy in Education**
- **10.19.22 – B24-251 Contractor Indemnity and B24-924 Subcontract Prompt Payment**
- **11.30.22 – Attendance, Chronic Absenteeism, and Truancy**
- **12.7.22 – Literacy and the NAEP and PARCC Assessment**
News

- **DCPS Principal Changes for SY 2022-2023:** the full announcements can be found [here](#).

**Standing Meetings: Ward Councils and C4DC Members**

**Information and Meetings- click to get to websites**

- **Ward 2 Education Council:** Email: Ward2EdCouncil@gmail.com  Website: [www.Ward2EdCouncil.org](http://www.Ward2EdCouncil.org)  Meetings:
- **Ward 3 – Wilson Feeder Education Network** Email: w3ednet@gmail.com  Meetings: Monthly on second Monday of the month.
- **Ward 4 Education Alliance** Email: Ward4edalliance@gmail.com  Meetings: 2nd Thursday of the month
- **Ward 5 Education Equity Committee** Email: contact@ward5eec.org  Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the month (September to June), email for Zoom link.
- **Ward 6 Public Schools Parent Organization (W6PSPO)** Email: m.godec@att.net or chpspo@gmail.com  Meetings: Third Tuesday of every month
- **Ward 7 Education Council** Email: ward7ed@yahoo.com  Meetings: 1st Thursday of every month from September- June from 6:30pm - 8:00pm  The registration link is: [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUvfuGsrTkuHtU118LvT8F4_y0bK7nztDoc](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUvfuGsrTkuHtU118LvT8F4_y0bK7nztDoc)  After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.
- **Ward 8 Education Council** Email: ward8educationcouncil@gmail.com  - meetings the 3rd Thursday of the month - look on Ward 8 Council facebook page
- **Senior High Alliance of Parents, Principals and Educators (SHAPPE):** Email: dc_shappe@gmail.com  Meetings: 4th Tuesday of each month on zoom
- **Public School Partnership Program – The Washington Lawyers' Committee**
- **Media Partners:** We Act Radio/Education Townhall  [https://educationtownhall.org/about/](https://educationtownhall.org/about/)  and  Educationdc.net:  [https://educationdc.net/](https://educationdc.net/)

**“The Catchup”: Useful DC Education Videos and Links**

- EmpowerEd has started a new initiative to reduce very long education meetings, hearings, etc... down to 10 minute highlight reels to make them more accessible to the public. All of them will be accessible via this [YouTube playlist here](#) and also posted on twitter, facebook etc…
- [https://educationdc.net/2022/06/28/remaking-dc-high-school-education-somewhere-somewhere/](https://educationdc.net/2022/06/28/remaking-dc-high-school-education-somewhere-somewhere/)