

# SHAPE THE FUTURE OF DCPS

To the DC Public Schools Community,

When I joined the DC Public Schools (DCPS) as Chancellor on February 1st, I knew that I was joining a district and city on the rise. I was excited to come to DCPS, not only because of the progress it has made, but because of its potential. The people I've met here, from pre-K students to city leaders, impressed me with their talent and dedication.

In 2012, DCPS launched an ambitious strategic plan—five goals known as the Capital Commitment. Five years later, academic performance is up, graduation rates are up, enrollment is up, student satisfaction is up, and it's time to set a new vision for what our district can accomplish. It's time to take our schools—all of them—to the next level.

I'm frequently asked about my plans for DCPS. And I have many ideas. But you, the DCPS community, know better than anyone what your children and schools need to reach their full measure of greatness.

Over the next few months, I will be asking for your vision for DCPS. What will it take so that every student, parent, and educator can walk into their school and feel welcomed, inspired, and supported? How can we instill excellence and equity at all levels of our district?

I will host conversations at schools across the city with families and faculty, lead engagement sessions in every ward, and meet with leaders representing our faith, neighborhood, and business communities. DCPS will also set up a write-in campaign, so that everyone has the opportunity to inform the priorities that will guide our next five years.

I'm counting on you to share your honest feedback and your wildest dreams. We are DCPS and together, we can do this.

Respectfully,

Antwan Wilson

Chancellor, DC Public Schools





DCPS works in partnership with families and community members to support DCPS students.

Join us at an upcoming meeting in your ward to:

**VOICE** priorities for your child and school.

**ENGAGE** with other community members.

**MEET** Chancellor Antwan Wilson.

Tuesday, March 7 at Ron Brown HS 4800 Meade Street, NE • Ward 7

Thursday, March 16 at Roosevelt HS 4301 13th Street, NW • Ward 4

Tuesday, March 21 at Luke C. Moore HS 1001 Monroe Street, NE • Ward 5

> Monday, March 27 at Deal MS 3815 Fort Drive, NW • Ward 3

Thursday, April 6 at Turner ES 3264 Stanton Road, SE • Ward 8

Tuesday, April 11 at Eastern HS 1700 East Capitol Street, NE • Ward 6

Thursday, April 13 at Columbia Heights EC 3101 16th Street, NW • Ward 1

Monday, April 24 at SWW @ Francis-Stevens 2425 N Street, NW • Ward 2

All sessions will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Light dinner and childcare will be provided.

## Can't attend an engagement session? Take part in our write-in campaign!

**ONLINE** EngageDCPS.org

EMAIL ofpe.info@dc.gov

MAIL DC Public Schools c/o Office of Family and Public Engagement 1200 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20002



# **Improve Achievement Rates**



At least 70% of our students will be proficient in reading and math by 2016-2017. By 2016-2017, we will double the number of advanced students to more than 3,800 in reading and more than 4,700 in math.

# **Invest in Struggling Schools**



Our 40 lowest-performing schools will increase proficiency rates by 40 percentage points by 2016-2017.

### Increase Graduation Rates



By 2016-2017, at least 75% of entering 9th graders will graduate from high school in four years.

### **Improve Satisfaction**



By 2016-2017, 90% of students will say they like their school.

### Increase Enrollment



DCPS will increase its enrollment by 2016-2017 to more than 50,000 students.