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Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26)
DCPS Budget Engagement

Public Budget Hearing
November 20, 2024

FY26 Public Budget Hearing

Goals and Objectives

- Highlight investments that support the strategic priorities outlined in the district's *Capital Commitment 2023-2028*.
- Listen to testimony from DCPS stakeholders to help inform budget planning.
- Share overall timeline for the FY26 budget development process and engagement.

FY26 Public Budget Hearing Agenda

Time	Activity
6:00PM-6:15PM	Introduction <i>Chancellor Lewis D. Ferebee and Lauren Brown, Deputy Chief, Family and Community Engagement</i>
6:15PM-8:00PM	Public Testimony <i>All testimony will be recorded for submission as part of the official record.</i>
8:00PM	Closing Remarks and Next Steps

Servicios de interpretación en español disponibles: bit.ly/Presupuesto_FY26DCPS

DCPS Budget Engagement Feedback

Programs and Resources

- Increasing options for **afterschool programming** across grade bands.
- Investing in students' post-secondary success through **Career and Technical Education**.
- Ensuring the **safety** of our scholars through Safe Passage and enhancing school security.
- Advancing **mathematical** and **financial** literacy for all students.

CAPITAL COMMITMENT

2023-2028



ONE

EQUITY IMPERATIVE:

All DCPS students have access to the **tools, support,** and **resources** they need to succeed.

TWO

COMMITMENTS:

Value our people.
Partner with our community.

THREE

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:



SUCCEEDING
ACADEMICALLY



CONNECTED
TO SCHOOLS



PREPARED FOR
WHAT'S NEXT

CAPITAL COMMITMENT

2023-2028



OUR GOALS

SUCCEEDING ACADEMICALLY



DCPS students are **MATHEMATICALLY STRONG.**



DCPS students are **READING AND WRITING** across all subjects.

CONNECTED TO SCHOOLS



DCPS students are **SAFE** and have a **SENSE OF BELONGING.**



DCPS students have **EQUITABLE ACCESS** to opportunities.

PREPARED FOR WHAT'S NEXT



DCPS students **GRADUATE ON TIME.**



DCPS graduates participate in a **POSTSECONDARY PATHWAY.**

Getting Involved at Your School: LSAT Opportunities

Connect with your school's Local School Advisory Team (LSAT). LSATs are school-based advisory groups made up of parents, staff, and community members who work with principals on school budget development and goals outlined in the Comprehensive School Plan (CSP).



Please contact your Principal, or e-mail LSAT.help@k12.dc.gov for more information.

Working With Your Local School Advisory Team

Local School Advisory Teams are a group of elected members who increase transparency at DCPS and ensure decisions affecting school communities are made collaboratively with the help of a diverse group of school stakeholders.

- LSATs meet regularly to discuss school priorities.
- LSATs act as a liaison between the school community and broader school system.
- LSATs attend districtwide engagements to represent their school and share back information with their community.

FY26 Public Budget Hearing Logistics

For witnesses testifying tonight, we ask the following:

- **Please keep your testimony to three minutes.** A gentle reminder will be given when time is expired.
- **Please identify one speaker for your group.** The speaker can testify on the group's behalf.
- **Please speak slowly and clearly.** All testimony will be captured for the official record.

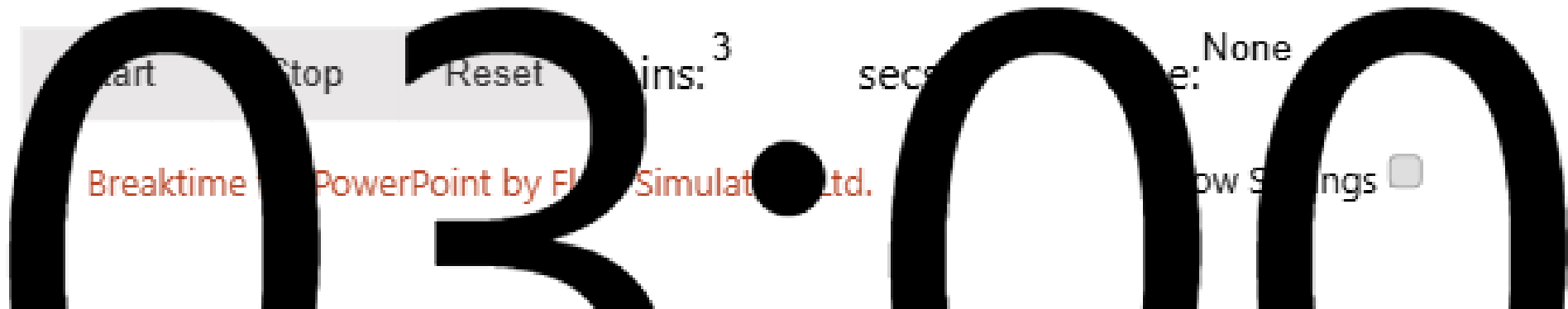
FY26 Public Budget Hearing Logistics

- **Please message your assigned DCPS staff member if you have any questions.**
- **Please keep your cameras off and mics on mute until testifying.** DCPS staff will message you privately as your speaking time nears.
- **If you have not done so already, please email your testimony to ceo.info@k12.dc.gov.**

If you have questions or having difficulties, please e-mail ceo.info@k12.dc.gov
or call/text 202.558.8436.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Please keep remarks to 3 minutes or less.



FY26 Budget Timeline

November – December 2024

- Public budget hearing
- Enrollment projections released
- LSAT Professional Learning Community

January – March 2025

- Targeted LSAT supports and webinars
- School budget allocations released
- Student Engagement

Late March – Early April 2025

- Final DCPS budget submitted
- DC government budget finalized