



Right now more than 11,000 DC students are actively seeking a new educational opportunity. Each has added their name to a waiting list in hopes of attending a school that they and their family believe will better meet their needs. Most of these students are from the poorest communities in our city.

The DC City Council and Deputy Mayor have denied these sought-after charter schools the critical facilities needed to accommodate more students. The Council is also promoting legislation that will limit the autonomy of public charter schools. The pending legislation will curtail the dramatic achievement gains produced by charter schools throughout the District. In addition, the legislation will reverse the progress achieved through years of parent and school-led education initiatives in many neighborhoods throughout the city.

We should **support all options that help children succeed.** We should open doors to the schools that best meet the needs of students.

Please sign our petition and tell DC leaders to **open the door for opportunity** by supporting charter school operations and promoting choice for children and their families.

I want to OPEN THE DOOR FOR OPPORTUNITY to DC students.

- I support the work of successful charter schools in Washington, DC.
- I believe **every student deserves a great education** and the opportunity to have their individual needs met.
- I believe that the presence of charter schools expands education opportunities for all students and improves the economic and safety climate of the District of Columbia.

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Email	 	
Street Address (optional)		

This petition will be delivered to:

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The DC City Council U.S. Senate

U.S. House of U.S. Department of Representatives Education

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