

SKETCHES OF SCHOOLS CHARTERED TO OPEN IN SEPTEMBER 1999



"Charter schools provide an important choice for parents seeking an alternative education program for their children. Charter schools are an important part of the District of Columbia Public School reform initiatives."

Tanya Vidal-Kulow

Chairperson

Subcommittee on Charter Schools

D.C. Board of Education

Booker T. Washington

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FOR TECHNICAL ARTS

CONTACT: Edward Pinkard, Founder
PHONE: 202-328-6236
LOCATION: 1346 Florida Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20009
Ward 1

ITS DESIGN

This charter school includes an emphasis on training 9th through 12th grade students, adults, high school dropouts, and the welfare to work population for the construction and building trades. High school students will be recruited for the first two years of operation, and the Adult Evening Program will serve 150 students for GED matriculation and construction trades.

Chartered by the D.C. Board of Education

PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 300

Hospitality

PUBLIC CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

CONTACT: DeDe McClure, Director
PHONE: 202-312-2007
LOCATION: 410 8th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005
Ward 2

ITS DESIGN

The school will provide opportunities for motivated students interested in exploring the growing hospitality industry in the District. A school for students with potential for higher education, the academic program provides preparation for continuing education and/or an industry career. Paid internships, indus-

try-related technology systems training, student learning projects and mentors are an integral part of the education plan, serving 9th graders the first year of operations.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 40

Ideal Academy

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

CONTACT: Paulette Bell-Imani, Founder

PHONE: 202-723-6008

LOCATION: Rock Creek Church &
Riggs Road, NW
Washington, DC 20011
Ward 4

ITS DESIGN

The school proposes a strong academic program emphasizing mathematics, science and technology skills for pre-Kindergarten through grade 6. Developing reading skills at an early age through the use of an intensive phonics program is included in the design. Expansion to 7th grade in the year 2002 is planned.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 300

Kwame Nkrumah

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

CONTACT: Yosef Ford, Founder

PHONE: 202-637-0009

LOCATION: Rabaut HUB
100 Peabody Street, NW
Washington, DC 20011
Ward 4

ITS DESIGN

A multi-cultural college-oriented school with a focus on leadership skills development for students aged 5 through 18. The school features the British Preparatory education method, which emphasizes the use of Reading, Mathematics, Independent Study and Technology to arrive at solutions confronting the world community.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 490

Meridian

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

CONTACT: Lou Steadwell, Chair, Board of Trustees

PHONE: 202-939-3450

LOCATION: 1346 Florida Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20009
Ward 1

ITS DESIGN

The Meridian program instills a passion for learning through a proven system for teaching that cultivates self-confidence and self-respect through achievement. In collaboration with The Calvert School, an independent school of Baltimore, the Meridian program features structured classrooms with a lead teacher and assisting teachers in the early grades Pre-K through 3. Elementary students, grades 4 through 8 may be assigned to more flexible Community Learning Centers

which will use a high staff ratio and mentor-guided individualized curriculum based on the student's tested proficiency in each subject.

The school will serve approximately 100 students grades Pre-K to 4 beginning in September 1999 and expand to 600 students, Pre-K to 9 in the second year. One high school grade will be added each subsequent year.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 100

New Vistas Preparatory

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

CONTACT: Mary Jenkins, Founder

PHONE: 202-832-2700

LOCATION: Rabaut HUB
100 Peabody Street, NW
Washington, DC 20011
Ward 4

ITS DESIGN

The school features a performance-based approach to education for achieving academic excellence. The program will include "wrap-around" services for at-risk and low achieving students from grades 7 through 12. School-to-work and community-based internship programs provided.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 150

Robert Louis Johnson, Jr.

ARTS & TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

CONTACT: Pamela Lipscomb Gardner
PHONE: 202-398-8133
LOCATION: Richardson Elementary School
53rd & Blaine Streets, NE
Washington, DC 20019
Ward 7

ITS DESIGN

An academically challenging, technologically rich, student-centered learning environment for pre K through 5th grade students. This school will be operated by Advantage Schools with a clear sense of responsibility to parents and students. A combination of parental involvement and

performance measurement will characterize the school's accountability process.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 500

Roots PCS

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

CONTACT: Dr. Bernida Thompson, Founder
PHONE: 202-882-5155
LOCATION: #15 Kennedy Street, NW
Washington, DC 20011
Ward 4

ITS DESIGN

This K through 8 grade school will stress academic excellence, exemplary character, and social responsibility to prepare students for a traditional or alternative learning high school education within a strong African heritage cultural learning environment. A one-year alternative high school program comprised of

GED classroom training and a paid apprenticeship program will be included.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 60

SouthEast Academy OF SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE

CONTACT: Dr. Elizabeth Smith,
Executive Director

PHONE: 202-561-5601

LOCATION: 645 Milwaukee Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20032
Ward 8

ITS DESIGN

A rigorous age-and-grade appropriate academic program that can be tailored for individualized instruction managed by Tesseract®. Within a technological environment, students will study a core curriculum of Mathematics, English, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language, Music, Art and Physical Education in grades

Kindergarten through 6th, plus Adult Education. An evening and weekend tutoring and adult GED educational program will be offered. Students may choose from college preparatory or skilled career development programs to pursue their goals.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 875

The Hyde PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

CONTACT: Kenneth Faunteroy, Project Director

PHONE: 202-234-3124

LOCATION: McKinley High School
151 T Street, SE
Washington, DC 20002
Ward 5

ITS DESIGN

A rigorous academic curriculum that will prepare students for significant post-secondary education is the focus of this charter school. All students will participate in co-curricular activities in community service, the performing arts, and athletics. Families will participate in a comprehensive program of family education,

which is designed to help students, parents guardians and family members. Open to 7th, 8th and 9th grade students the first year.

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PROJECTED ENROLLMENT: 240