

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE**
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE**

on

Student Voices on Education in the District

on

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

**Room 412 (Track B)
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004
DC Council Website (www.dccouncil.gov)**

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public roundtable before the Committee of the Whole on Student Voices on Education in the District. The public roundtable will be held at **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 18, 2025.**

The purpose of this roundtable is to provide District students with a venue to share their views on public education based on their educational experience. The Committee of the Whole conducts oversight of education agencies, forms budgets for those agencies, and passes legislation to direct agency actions to improve outcomes for District students. To that end, the Committee is interested in hearing about what students think of the quality of their education and the culture of their schools. More specifically, the Committee is concerned with what students think of their curriculum, enrichment opportunities, relationships with their teachers and other staff, support for mental health, other challenges students face, or other topics that students see as crucial to their success in school.

Those who wish to testify must register using the Council's Hearing Management System at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings> by **5:00 p.m. on** Friday, March 14, 2025. **Testimony is limited to three minutes.** Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the proceeding by emailing cow@dccouncil.gov. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. Requests received in less than five business days may not be fulfilled. Witnesses will receive instructions on how to participate by Zoom prior to the hearing. If you have additional questions, please get in touch with Bijan Verlin, Legislative Policy Advisor, at (202) 724-4865 or bverlin@dccouncil.gov.

Public witnesses will participate in-person or virtually via the Internet on the Zoom Video Conference platform. Those who wish to submit testimony for the record may do so by using the Council's Hearing Management System at <https://lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings> or by leaving a voicemail at (202) 430-6948 (up to 3 minutes which will be transcribed). Testimony will be publicly accessible upon Committee review. **The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, 2025.**