

Total charter school enrollment in the 8 PPS sponsored charter schools is ~1600 for 2016-17 school year. Most of the PPS charter schools are at a stable enrollment, meaning the total number of students stays the same as new kindergarten classes enter and the highest grade students move out of the school. Only 5% of the PPS charter school students are in high school, and generally those students attend the charter high school through to graduation. The other 95% of charter school enrollment is in grades K-8, and as students matriculate out of the charter schools after either 5th grade or 8th grade they generally enter the PPS system elsewhere. This will result in about 170-175 students entering the PPS system from charter schools in either 6th or 9th grades in the 2016-17 school year, and 145-150 beginning in the 2017-18 school year (decrease due to closure of one charter school).

Two schools are still growing into full grade range, which means they will still be enrolling incoming kindergartners but not cycling students out of the highest grade for a few years. While their total number of students is increasing year to year, it is only the kindergarten students who are the new students being added to the total. Beginning in the 2019-2020 school year PPS will begin seeing additional 6th grade students feeding in from charter schools, and in 2020-2021 there will be additional 9th graders as these two schools reach full grade range.

Charter school students are not tied to neighborhood catchment areas, so location of the charter school does not necessarily translate to an impact on nearby neighborhood schools' enrollment. By law, charter school enrollment is determined by blind lottery and students can come from anywhere in the PPS District. The impact of charter school kindergarten enrollment is spread across all District schools.

4-year Charter School Projected Enrollment*:

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Total Stdnts</u> | <u>Kg stdnts only (new)</u> | <u>6th or 9th gr stdnts feeding to PPS</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| 2017-18 | 1650 | 220 | 145 |
| 2018-19 | 1740 | 220 | 150 |
| 2019-20 | 1790 | 220 | 170 |
| 2020-21 | 1790 | 220 | 220 |

*These projections are based on current charter school enrollment caps only, and include adjusting for the closure of SEI in June 2016. If a new charter school opens, or an existing one closes or negotiates increased enrollment during this time the numbers will change accordingly.

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