



March 1, 2018

Dear Turning Point Academy Parents and Guardians,

I write to share with you an important update regarding Turning Point Academy's future.

Turning Point Academy's three-year term charter agreement, authorized by the Prince George's County Board of Education, expired June 30, 2017. The school has been operating under an expired charter agreement for the 2017-18 academic year, pending review of the renewal application. The Governing Board was notified about long-standing concerns regarding board governance, student academic performance and facility conditions. Findings from the most recent performance review, site visits and the renewal application indicate the school has failed to meet the terms of its charter agreement.

As a result, Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) has recommended placing Turning Point Academy under the school system's control for the 2018-19 academic year and closing the school June 30, 2019. The Board of Education will consider this recommendation at its March 8, 2018 meeting and make a final determination March 20, 2018.

All students deserve a great education that contributes to thriving communities. Closing schools is painful for students, staff, parents and community members, and we deeply regret any disruption this may cause to your family. Please know that every effort will be made to improve academic opportunities for your child. A meeting will be held Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the auditorium of Eleanor Roosevelt High School to address your questions and concerns.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in their neighborhood boundary school, please contact PGCPS Pupil Accounting and School Boundaries at 301-952-6300. You can also find information about PGCPS Specialty Programs and student transfer requests on the school system's website (www.pgcps.org). Please note the Specialty Programs Lottery closes March 12, 2018. Student transfer requests will be accepted starting April 9, 2018 through May 5, 2018.

The enclosed Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document provides additional information about the charter school renewal process and options for your child should the school close.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Loretta White Khaalid, Charter School Liaison, at 301-808-8150.

Respectfully,

Loretta White Khaalid, Charter School Liaison

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