



TENNESSEE
PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION

Empowerment Academy Chattanooga Appeal Public Hearing

Thursday, September 3, 2026 | 7:00 A.M. CT/8:00 A.M. ET

Hamilton County Schools

3074 Claude Ramsey Pkwy; Chattanooga, TN 37421

Agenda

Call to Order and Review of Agenda

- Tess Stovall, Executive Director

Opening Statement from Hamilton County Schools ("HCS")

Opening Statement from Empowerment Academy Chattanooga

Tennessee Public Charter School Commission Questions

Public Comment

Individuals who have registered in advance with the Commission will have up to two minutes to provide comments. The Commission will allow up to 10 individuals speaking in support of approving the application and up to 10 individuals speaking in support of the district's decision to deny the application. Follow the links to sign up to comment [in support of the applicant](#) and to sign up to comment [in support of the district](#).

Note: Slots may not be transferred, and public comment sign up will close on Wednesday, 7:00 A.M. CT/ 8:00 A.M. ET September 2, 2026 or when the slots are filled, whatever is first.

Closing Presentations

- HCS
- Empowerment Academy Chattanooga

Adjournment

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: The Commission will accept [written public comments](#) until one week after the conclusion of the public hearing. Public comment for this hearing will not be accepted after 7:00 A.M. CT/8:00 A.M. ET on Thursday, September 10, 2026.