

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

The James Madison Charter Academy Board desires to provide opportunities for any member of the school community to express interest in and concern for the school. Accordingly, all members of the school community are cordially invited to attend all open meetings of the Board.

- (a) Meetings are closed to the public only when the Board is meeting in executive session. An executive session may be called only to discuss matters not appropriate for public discussion pursuant to Colo. Rev. Stat. Section 24-6-402. An executive session may be called only upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds of a quorum present.
- (b) Although the Board wishes to encourage everyone to attend its open meetings, it must be remembered that Board meetings are conducted to carry on the business of the school. Board meetings are not “public meetings,” but meetings held in public, and accordingly public participation must be controlled to some extent so that the Board can deal with its agenda within a reasonable time.
- (c) Persons who wish to make requests, presentations, or proposals to the Board should direct any inquiry to the school principal, who will respond according to the following process:
 - (i) The Board will receive in their packet for the next regularly scheduled meeting, written information directly from the person.
 - (ii) If the Board will be requested to take a particular action, the specific action being requested should be in the written document submitted to the Board by the person.
- (d) Parents are free to address comments or concerns to the principal at any time. However, if there is a specific remedy or other action being requested, it is usually best for the parent to utilize the procedure set forth above.
- (e) Notice of meetings of the James Madison Charter Academy Board shall be posted in the school office at least five days prior to the meeting.