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## Press Release

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# CHARTER SYSTEM PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULE

**Moultrie – August 22, 2014** - The Colquitt County School System is seeking to become a charter system in the state of Georgia. On April 28, 2014, the Colquitt County Board of Education voted unanimously to petition the Georgia Department of Education for Charter System status. Since that time, numerous community and internal committees have met to discuss the benefits and challenges that would be addressed in the Charter System petition.

The Colquitt County Board of Education must submit this petition to the Georgia Department of Education seeking charter system status, and your input is requested. Two community engagement sessions have been scheduled, and anyone seeking the opportunity to provide input is invited to attend, including parents, teachers, and other community members.

You are also encouraged to review information from the Georgia Department of Education concerning charter systems and review some of the petitions from other school systems around the state that are already operating as charter system.

That information can be found at the following web address:

<http://www.gadoe.org/External-Affairs-and-Policy/Charter-Schools/Pages/default.aspx>.

<b>Public Hearing Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
September 11, 2014	6:30 p.m.	Colquitt County Board of Education – Board Room
September 18, 2014	6:30 p.m.	Colquitt County Board of Education – Board Room

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