LIFT Members Call To Action: Request for a list of technology used in the classroom, purpose, and duration use at Curriculum Night (if it is not shared during).

Join a Subcommittee below!

Subcommittee 1: CEC Resolution on Screen Time, AI regulation, and iReady Audit

LIFT has presented its case to the Community Education Council (CEC) and received a positive response. A combined resolution covering enforceable screen time limits, AI regulation, and an independent audit of iReady is drafted and now needs careful proofreading and polish before it's formally submitted for a vote.

The ask: Help proofread and tighten the draft resolution before submission. A sharp eye for writing or experience with policy language is a plus.

Whatsapp Tina Shayevitz with interest to participate OR list your name below:

Subcommittee 2: Teacher Materials Requests

Reducing screens only works if there's something better to replace them. This subcommittee gathers grade-by-grade requests directly from teachers for hands-on materials — books, manipulatives, art and building supplies, science tools — and matches them to funding sources like the PA mini-grants and donated-book suppliers.

The ask: Help survey teachers about the physical materials they need and track down funding to provide them.

Whatsapp Tina Shayevitz with interest to participate OR list your name below:

Cindy Di - 1st grade

Subcommittee 3: Screen-Free Week

A school-wide screen-free week gives students, teachers, and families a shared experience of what learning and connection look like off the screen. A planning playbook already exists and needs review and adaptation for PS 184, along with coordination with teachers and the PA to make the week engaging rather than simply restrictive. We're aiming for January 2027.

The UnPluggEd Project Playbook Playbook_Final (1) (1).pdf

The ask: Help adapt the playbook and plan engaging screen-free activities for a January launch.

Whatsapp Tina Shayevitz with interest to participate OR list your name below:

Green Team: Nature Education

The Green Team is building hands-on, screen-free learning rooted in the outdoors and our own neighborhood. Current projects include a street tree care and identification session with the Lower East Side Ecology Center for second grade, labeling trees around the school on Cherry and Montgomery streets, and exploring a BioBus visit (a mobile science lab) and a field trip to a Brooklyn recycling education center.

The ask: *If you have a second grader:* second-grade teachers want to see broad parent interest before scheduling the tree-care session — please **email your child's teacher** to say your family is in favor. That show of interest is what gets it on the calendar.

Whatsapp Josef S with interest to participate OR list your name below:

Suggested Email Template:

Email Subject: Street tree care ask

Dear [Teacher Name],

I wanted to make a suggestion about a fun activity for the class. The Lower East Side Ecology Center has a person who is dedicated to environmental education and they do a free street tree care activity.

I have also been in touch with the Parent Association and they are very supportive.

Would there be a moment when you think a tree care activity could fit within the [child's grade] grade curriculum school day?

Thank you
[Parent Names]

9/29 : email expressing interest sent to 201 signed by Michael & Dorothy Holscher