



COMMUNITY EDUCATION COUNCIL 19

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Calendar Meeting Minutes April 15, 2026

Calendar Meeting Start Time: 6:14 pm

Ms. French opens meeting.

Roll Call: Joyce French, Kimberly Ford, Evelyn Pugh, Tion Prescott, Emily Walker, Shandale Franklin, Simone Phillips-Webster, Rebecca Reyes and Amber Lewis. **Late:** Kimberly Washington **Absent:** Krissy Garcia

Approval of meeting minutes: Ms. French - Motion to approve meeting minutes of March 11, 2026. Meeting minutes were approved with no changes. Motion by Ms. French, approved by Joyce French, Kimberly Washington, Kimberly Ford, Evelyn Pugh, Tion Prescott, Emily Walker, Shandale Franklin, Simone Phillips-Webster, Rebecca Reyes and Amber Lewis.

Presentation #1: NYC DOE – Office of Language Access (OLA) – Mr. Robert Williams

The Office of Language Access (OLA) supports NYCPS offices and public schools with translation and interpretation services for families whose preferred language is other than English.

- Translation Team, our largest group, specializes in providing written language services.
- Interpretation Team works with our contracted interpretation vendors to ensure schools receive services for in-person, virtual and over-the-phone parental engagements.
- Outreach Team focuses on promoting equitable language access services to schools and empowering

NYC Public School parents to understand and advocate for their language access rights.

- ❖ Collaborates with advocates to identify needs and address language barriers in our ever-changing communities
- ❖ Engages parent leaders to enhance the message of language access to our communities
- ❖ Pursues innovating ways to engage with and receive feedback from families:
 - Online portals
 - Emails, robocalls, text, direct mailers
- ❖ Leverages technology to continuously:
 - Enhance the interpretation experience for families (e.g., virtual meetings)
 - Ensure translation quality (e.g., professional translation tools)
 - Keep a pulse of citywide parent language data, and translation and interpretation service outputs

NYC Public Schools' FREE language services include:

- Interpretation for all meetings and interactions with NYC Public Schools' staff
- Translation of general documents into the NYC Public Schools' top 9 non-English languages. Examples of general documents include Parent newsletter and Event flyers.
- Translation of individualized documents into a parent's preferred language, upon request. Examples of individualized documents include IEPs (Individualized Education Programs), Section 504 Plans (medical accommodation) and Foreign Transcripts/Immunization records.

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High School Superintendent Quarterly Report: Ms. Sandra Kid, FLC reported on behalf of Dr. White, IA Superintendent for Brooklyn North High School. (HS Data, Compliance, highlights and events).

Community Superintendent Report: Ms. Shani Jimenta on behalf of Dr. Tamra Collins, Community Superintendent reported on the following:

Presentation on Artificial Intelligence (AI) – NYC DOE AI Guidance

What Is AI — and What Isn't It?

AI refers to computer systems that perform tasks usually requiring human thinking — finding patterns, sorting information, making predictions, or creating content.

AI IS:

- Generative AI — creates text, images, code (e.g. ChatGPT)
- Predictive AI — analyzes data and makes predictions
- A tool that augments human decision-making

AI IS NOT:

- Human thinking, reasoning, or judgment
- Always accurate — it can "hallucinate" wrong answers
- A replacement for educators, relationships, or learning

What Is AI — and What Isn't It?

AI IS:

AI is a tool that can...

Find patterns in information

Sort and organize large amounts of data

Help draft and translate text

Support teachers in planning lessons

Generate images, code, or audio

Create new content based on instructions

Make predictions from data

Surface trends for educators to review

AI IS NOT:

AI is NOT something that can...

Replace teachers or school staff

Educators' judgment stays at the center

Truly understand your child

AI processes patterns, not meaning

Make decisions about students

Placement, grades, and IEPs need humans

Always be trusted or accurate

Outputs must be reviewed by adults

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What AI will **NEVER** do in our schools?

- Make placement, discipline, eligibility, or graduation decisions
- Develop IEPs or special education documents
- Determine grades or what a student knows (AI data is advisory only)
- Lock students out of advanced coursework (any algorithmic pathway can be overridden)
- Replace teachers, counselors, or crisis support staff
- Monitor, surveil, or track student behavior
- Train AI models on student data, or sell or monetize student data
- Override the professional judgment of educators and leaders

What This Looks Like in the Classroom

K–8	Students build critical thinking and digital literacy skills — learning how to question and make sense of AI with age-appropriate guidance.
9–12	Students prepare for college, careers, and life — developing judgment, creativity, and ethical decision-making in a world shaped by AI.
All Grades	Educators make decisions based on what’s best for students. Technology can support learning, but it does not replace teacher expertise or relationships.

Your Rights as Families

YOUR RIGHTS	WHAT YOU CAN DO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You have the right to know what AI tools are used in your child's school • Ask questions — contact studentprivacy@schools.nyc.gov • Data privacy protections under FERPA, §2-d, and the NYCPS Parents' Bill of Rights • Raise concerns through your CEC or SLT and receive timely responses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit schools.nyc.gov/AI for guidance • Talk to your child's teacher about AI in the classroom • Talk with your child about AI — what it is, what it isn't, and how to think critically • Attend community sessions and engage through your CEC or SLT • Share feedback: tinyurl.com/FeedbackNYCPS (open through May 8)



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D19 Compliance Updates as of 4/15/2026:

Attendance (4/15)	89.9% (38.4% Chronic Absenteeism)
	89.5% Citywide (34% Chronic Absenteeism)
Special Ed Compliance (4/15)	District 19 - 90.6%
	Citywide - 90.7%
STARS Compliance - (Scheduling of the mandates as of 4/14)	District 19 - 93%
	Citywide - 93%
MLL Scheduling Compliance (4/8)	97.9%
District Enrollment (4/14)	12,239 Students (.4% students increase since SY 24-25)

CEC President's Report: Ms. French reported on the following:

- Mother's Day Bingo event – Friday, May 8, 2026
- Health Fair event – Saturday, May 16, 2026

Public Comments:

Tesa Wilson – FACE

Keren Asamouh and Sue Wari – I’Raise Girls and Boys International

Alex Cuevas - NY Senator Roxanne Persaud Rep.

Songji Ophas - NYC Councilman Chris Banks

Kim Gill – Assemblywoman Nikki Lucas

Dom Alexandre, NYC Councilwoman Sandy Nurse Rep.

Motion to adjourn calendar meeting Ms. French second by Mr. Prescott at 7:49 pm



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Business Meeting Minutes April 15, 2026

Business Meeting Start Time: 7:57pm

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Roll Call: Joyce French, Kimberly Washington, Kimberly Ford, Evelyn Pugh, Tion Prescott, Emily Walker Shandale Franklin, Simone Phillips-Webster, Rebecca Reyes and Amber Lewis. **Absent:** Krissy Garcia

CEC President's Report: Ms. Joyce French reported on the following:

- Bill #175-B: New York City Council has passed two bills that would expand NYPD power to limit where New Yorkers can gather and speak out. These bills would allow the NYPD to set up police perimeters around schools and houses of worship, giving them broad control over where protests can happen.
- Mother's Day Bingo updates (As of 4/15 – 47 participants registered) – Food was ordered for event.
- Health Fair (May 16th) updates
- End of Year event (June 18th) updates
- Chancellor's meet and greet (feedback and takeaways)
- Townhall meeting (April 30th @ PS 65)

Treasurers' Report: Ms. Pugh on April's 2026 Treasurer's Report:

Current Expenditures:

\$3,000 - Website 8/2025 (PO)

\$1,320 – Copy Machine Lease 8/2025 (PO)

\$11,175 – CEC Members' Reimbursements (July-March) (SIPPs)

\$206.90 – Enzo Pizza 9/10 (SIPP)

\$247.73 - Panera Bread 10/8 (SIPP)

\$207.45 – Enzo Pizza 11/12 (SIPP)

\$214.88 – Food Bazaar (Water & Soda) 11/2025 (P-Card)

\$325.00 - Adrian & Rocky's Catering (Heros/Salads) 12/10 (PO)

\$207.45 – Enzo Pizza 1/14 (SIPP)

\$462.37 – 4imprint Grey T-Shirts (PO)

\$247.73 - Panera Bread 2/11 (SIPP)

\$250.00 – Fusion East 3/11 (SIPP)

\$318.68 – Supplies 3/2026 (PO)

\$145.00 - Enzo Pizza 4/15 (SIPP)

\$145.00 - Enzo Pizza 5/13 (SIPP)

\$145.00 - Enzo Pizza 6/10 (SIPP)

\$325.00 - Adrian & Rocky's Catering (Heros/Salads) 5/8 (Mother's Day Bingo) (PO)

\$1,318.00 – Sazon Perez Restaurant/Catering 6/18 (End of Year) (PO)

Expenditures Amount: \$20,261.19 - Current Balance: \$4,738.81

School Liaison Report(s):

Ms. Franklin (PS 328) and Ms. Lewis (PS 557)

Motion to adjourn business meeting Ms. French second by Ms. Franklin at 8:54 pm.

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