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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Education/Libraries/Youth Services Committee

FROM: Amin Mehedi, Chairperson

RE: Education/Libraries/Youth Services Committee
Agenda for Monday, March 30, 2026

DATE of MEMO: March 19, 2026

A robust discussion regarding the Board of Education policies for grade schools (K-12) are increasingly implementing “away for the day” or “bell-to-bell” phone-free policies for the 2025-26 school year. These policies restrict personal smartphones, smartwatches, and tablets to reduce distractions, while allowing school-issued devices for educational purposes. Exceptions are generally made for medical needs, IEP/504 plans, or emergencies.

Key Aspects of Grade School Tech Policies for review & discussion:

- Cell Phone Restrictions, Away for the Day
- (Elementary/Junior High),
- Acceptable Use Policy (AUP),
- Exceptions and Safety,
- Digital Safety and Cybersecurity,
- Enforcement and any other issues.

Business Session

- Old Business
- New Business - Discussion to raise awareness and educate parents about the impact of electronic devices on their children’s brain development, overall growth, and future learning abilities.
- Adjournment

To ensure the health and safety of attendees the above referenced informational session has been scheduled for, **Monday, March 30, 2026, 6:30 PM via Zoom. You may join online or via telephone.**
(Please see page 2)

Your attendance is very important as a committee member. We will be reviewing information at the committee level.

Please call the Board Office if you will be attending via telephone to share your information. All interested Board Members are welcome to attend.

Thank you.

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Community Board 1, Queens invites you to a Zoom meeting/Session.

Topic: CB1 Queens Education/Libraries/Youth Services Committee

When: March 30, 2026 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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