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MARTHA BAYONA	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K554	NO	NO	<p>My name is Martha Bayona, and I'm currently the president for CEC32. I've been serving in the CEC since 2017, working with parents from our community, volunteering with the Bushwick Ayuda Mutua providing other services to our families since covid-19 hit the city. I've also worked with other parent leaders through the city in the legislative and Charter committees, helping shape policies that benefit our families. I worked to make sure that for this election, all parents could vote to elect a CEC member--not only 3 as it was before. I've testified in the Panel of Education against a truncation of one of our middle schools, spoke fervently at hearings against expansions and renewal applications of Charter Schools in our schools buildings. I've also advocated successfully to bring 3K to Bushwick before the year 2021. I've worked with the Chancellor and other DOE employees to better our school community. With the offices of our elected officials, we brought Immigration clinics to our schools, helping our families with lawyers in a safe place, and free of charge. I've volunteered in the SLT, Parent-Teacher Association, and District Leadership Team. To serve the families from my community is an honor, making sure our students get a quality education. I'm asking you to vote for me so I could continue serving my community as an advocate to all of our families. Thank you. Martha Bayona</p>
NAHSHON BROWN	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	16K498	NO	NO	<p>Hello, my name is Nah'shon Brown, I have two sons attending public schools and have been an active and involved parent from the day my first child entered school. My oldest is a senior at The Brooklyn High School for Law & Technology and my youngest is in 3rd grade at P.S. 151. I would like to serve on the Education Council because I believe it is very important for parents to be involved in the system their children are being educated by. I have been an active parent volunteer and served as PTA President for 2 years at P.S. 305 as well as being an active member of the School Leadership Team. More recently I have served on the School Leadership Team at P.S. 75, I am currently serving as the Vice President on the Parent's Association at P.S. 151 as well as a member of the School Leadership Team. At each school community I have been a part of I have participated in school and PTA/PA activities including, but not limited to, fundraising activities, movie nights, parent engagement, wellness activities, parent workshops, & community food distribution. I also serve as a mentor and board member for Race 4 Excellence. My children have the benefit of a father that knows the importance of a sound education in a caring community. If I am selected to be a Community Education Council Member, I will try to bring what I have learned through the years from volunteering at various schools to help with advising suggestions as to the direction our school community should move in that will better support the students and parents. I will advocate for all our children and our schools.</p>



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ALYSSA ILLERY	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K383	NO	NO	<p>Hello, my name is Alyssa Illery I am currently the Title I PAC chair and a member of the SLT at Philippa Schuyler School for the gifted and talented JHS 383. I attended NYC public schools and graduated from Brooklyn Technical High School. Education of our youth is extremely important to me and I believe through collaboration and constant communication between our staff, students and parents we can propel our youth forward.</p>

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JESSICA MACKEY JEAN	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	14K582	NO	NO	My name is Jessica Mackey-Jean and I'm a mother of two children. I have a daughter in first grade and a son in six. Their education is very important to me and a major part of that is their school environment. I have a small business, a family daycare which I am the education director. I believe by me being a mother, an educator and a business women I can give insight and a different prospective on the educational issues our community and city is facing. Even though I never ran for a seat on the PTA, I attended every meeting but I can no longer sit on the sidelines. I have to make my voice heard, my daughter's school's response to COVID was unacceptable. Their failure to communicate with families on how they plan to follow DOE's protocols led to some parents removing their children from the school. I've even consider it but instead I opted to go full remote. Transparency and regular updates are so important in putting people's concerns at ease. Educating your staff to be able to answer parent's questions is a major building block we need in building trust in our teachers and in a school system that can and will keep our children safe. Creating and maintaining a clean safe environment for our children is one of my top priorities. The other is bridging the gap in communication between the families in the community and the council. Thank you.
JESSICA MACKEY JEAN	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K075	NO	NO	My name is Jessica Mackey-Jean and I'm a mother of two children. I have a daughter in first grade and a son in six. Their education is very important to me and a major part of that is their school environment. I have a small business, a family daycare which I am the education director. I believe by me being a mother, an educator and a business women I can give insight and a different prospective on the educational issues our community and city is facing. Even though I never ran for a seat on the PTA, I attended every meeting but I can no longer sit on the sidelines. I have to make my voice heard, my daughter's school's response to COVID was unacceptable. Their failure to communicate with families on how they plan to follow DOE's protocols led to some parents removing their children from the school. I've even consider it but instead I opted to go full remote. Transparency and regular updates are so important in putting people's concerns at ease. Educating your staff to be able to answer parent's questions is a major building block we need in building trust in our teachers and in a school system that can and will keep our children safe. Creating and maintaining a clean safe environment for our children is one of my top priorities. The other is bridging the gap in communication between the families in the community and the council. Thank you.
Yadira Nova	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K384	NO	NO	
YSABEL QUISPE	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K123	YES	YES	

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JANELLE RICHARDS	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K383	NO	NO	<p>My name is Janelle Richards I have a BA in Criminal Justice and have work history in Law enforcement and Social services. I have worked in the community visiting community programs and education programs to help to bring change to young and old to prevent recidivism. One of the main things I noticed with many of the individuals were that from a young age they lacked education. I found with speaking with them and educating the mind on change and learning different subjects to incorporate in their every day life their personalities started to change their families noticed the change and it brought strength and confidence along with self esteem of being able to become successful in life. I am a SLT member at IS383 Phillipa Schuyler my daughters middle school she is now a 7th grader. I was happy to share ideas and lend a voice to help with education on the ELA team. I am running for Community Council as I want to be able to extend my voice to our Community and help with policy and procedures regarding the education of our students as well as our parents. Our parents too need services to help them understand what our students are learning as well as any questions they may have regarding learning techniques or programs DOE are engaging in to bring on new learning for the students. I will like to help bring new ideas to the table and also help to raise our Community involvement in our children education as "No child is left behind". As a parent I was always involved in conferences to address education with attending Chancellor Carmen Farina Parent Conference. The conference helped me as a parent by giving different techniques on how to address parent conferences how to ask questions regarding what my child was learning and how could I help build on what she is learning. Not only do we have to focus on educating our students but we have to also educate our parents to understand what and how our children are learning. Remote learning opened this challenge to many families of students with IEPs, ELA, ESLL. Many felt overwhelmed due to the lack of understanding and education in the programs and technologies being given in the beginning without guidance and having to navigate it alone till the community came together and started to set up workshops and zoom meetings to help parents but we still are lacking parent participation which helps to play a big role in education. I want to change I to we can help to make this change by running for Community Council. Respectfully Submitted, Ms. Janelle Richards</p>



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DESINES RODRIGUEZ	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K299	NO	NO	I have been on the council for four years now I love giving back to district 32 schools I even travel from another district for my son as for I believe in this district and believe our children deserve the best
MARLENE ROSSI	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K116	NO	YES	
DEFINA SCOTT	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	17K241	NO	NO	Running for Education Council is especially important to me now more than ever because of the huge disparities in education that have been magnified over the course of the pandemic. Being a product of NYC public schools myself, I have first hand experience of the benefits of having advocates to amplify the voices and the need for measurable and meaningful changes within our school system. Ultimately this has led me to access and qualify for academic scholarships to high school and college, the first in my family to do so. Being a parent of two public school students now, while they have benefited from my participation in school events, decision making and relationships within their school, I feel compelled more than ever to do more. I firmly believe that each and every child deserves a fair and equitable shot at a quality education, the resources and accessibility to support both their academic and social needs, extra-curricular activities and programming to adequately equip them with real world skills and solutions, as well as a means for parents to communicate their concerns and desires in meaningful ways that produce lasting change. I believe that each and every child has the right to an education system built well for all and not just a privileged few. I believe that the true needs and voices of each and every child, not just my own, and their parents can be amplified through my serving on the Education Council. I am committed to joining forces with other leaders and advocates within education and the communities it serves to create equitable, effective, quality and accessible education for all public school students, not just my own. As a business owner, NYC ironworker, public school graduate and mother, I am committed to building not just the bridges, buildings, and subways of my city but building the educational infrastructure for my city's youth to thrive as well.

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TY SMITH	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K291	NO	NO	<p>As a parent of a middle school student in one of the most underserved communities in district 32; I would be remiss if I did not enter myself as a candidate to serve as a member of CEC; One some level, we know the deficits that the DOE has as it relates to meeting the challenges of our students; however, these challenges have been heightened to such a degree during the pandemic and political climate, that it has exacerbated the current difficulties that will leave a lasting impact for years to come. It is not enough that I relegate my advocacy to just my daughter at her school; I need to be involved on a larger scale where I can work with parents and community leaders to fight and foster change that will positively impact the state of our education; the issues we are facing are bigger than any one of us which is why we must tackle these concerns as a community.</p>
DASIA WILLIAMS	CEC32	Community Education Council (32)	32K299	NO	NO	