

Dear Friends of the **Cognitech Café's FREE** Assistive Technology Support Program, here are our **hours for Fall 2011**. We are available to help any school age children and their families (early intervention to college bound) discover how assistive technologies may help them address learning, communication, vision, hearing and physical access needs in the classroom. Parents may call or e-mail for a free appointment. **Details below.**

**Appointments Available to Reserve:**

Sunday, October 9th at 10, 11, 12 or 1 pm

Sunday, October 16th at 10, 11, 12 or 1 pm

Sunday, October 23rd at 10, 11, 12 or 1 pm

Sunday, October 30th at 10, 11, 12 or 1 pm

Sunday, November 6th at

2, 3, 4, or 5 pm

Sunday, November 13th at

2, 3, 4, or 5 pm

Sunday, November 20th at

2, 3, 4, or 5 pm

Sunday, November 27th at

10, 11, 12, or 1 pm

Sunday, December 4th at

2, 3, 4, or 5 pm

Sunday, December 11th at

2, 3, 4, or 5 pm

Sunday, December 18th at

10, 11, 12 or 1 pm

**Assistive technologies** may be used to augment a child's ability to communicate, support writing and reading needs of children with learning challenges, and provide direct access to educational materials for children who have vision, hearing or physical impairments. Parents need to become informed consumers of such tools in order to advocate successfully for their children in the school system and on their IEP's. In NYC, students are guaranteed such support by the [Chancellor's Continuum of Services Appendix B](#). Under Federal law all children are entitled to a "free and appropriate education", and assistive technologies often provide such a means toward success. We are available to support, train, and problem-solve any assistive technology need with parents and their child.

**All interested parents must make an appointment by e-mail or phone** (details below)--we are **not available for walk-in services**. After our one hour consultations with parents/children, we help them navigate school, public, and private resources for more formal assistive technology and augmentative communication evaluations when needed. Associated professionals are welcome to accompany the family and child as well. Parents are also invited to return with questions or for actual support with assistive technology products they or the schools acquire for the child.

**For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Mark Surabian at**

[ATHelp@me.com](mailto:ATHelp@me.com) or if you do not have e-mail, call 917-586-8000. Please be sure to indicate that you are interested in scheduling a consultation at the JCC in Manhattan.

**Where Support is Offered by Appointment:**

The Jewish Community Center In Manhattan  
334 Amsterdam Avenue at West 76th Street  
New York, NY 10023

**Lower Level Two Basement, Multimedia Center (computing center)**

**E-mail or Call for Appointments:**

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