



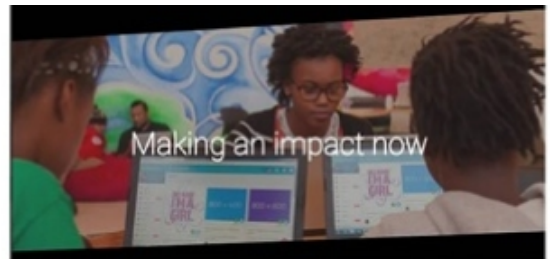
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Girls Tech Challenge with Blue 1647

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Bringing together more than thirty 7th to 12th graders from across Central Brooklyn, the Girls Tech Challenge included a coding workshop and app development challenge all in under 12 hours! A big thanks to all our community partners, educators, and students.

The Girls Tech Challenge exposes young women to future career options available in the field of information technology and coding. Given that minority communities and women are grossly underrepresented in the information technology industry, the Girls Tech Challenge aims to ensure underserved youth have equal opportunities to participate, excel,

and develop their talents.

Judges for the competition included Matt Curinga, Professor at Adelphi University, Kai Williams, graduate student at Adelphi University, Alexei Oulanov, Acting Head Librarian at Medgar Evers College Library, and Mike Danza of Kingsborough Community College.

Community sponsors for the event include Blue 1647, Medgar Evers College Library, Digital Girl, Golden Krust, Gino's Cucina Brick Oven Pizza, and Billy's Pizza and Pasta.