DS Screens Show Partial Ghost Images

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My friend gave me an old Nintendo DS (fatty) and I noticed that the screens would show a partial image of the opposite screen. For example, I see a faint image of a Pokémon on the bottom screen while I see a partial pokeball on the top. The main image is on the reverse screen, and they aren't from burn-in since, to my knowledge, these games have never been played on this system before. It seems like the data is being partially sent to the reverse screen, for whatever reason.

Are there any simple, inexpensive ways of going about repairing this problem? I'd rather not crack open an otherwise-functional DS just to accidentally break it. But if it can be done without too much of an investment on my part, I'll take a chance. I mean, it is just a DS FAT after all 😊

Sorry if this has been posted many times before (I'm sure it has) but I wasn't able to find it with the search feature. Hey, maybe I'm just slow tonight 😊

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Sorry, but there probably isn't any way to inexpensively fix this, as there is no real way of knowing exactly what the cause of the ghosting is, which means you might end up needlessly replacing parts, when it might be a software issue or some other reason for this.

So it might be cheaper in the long run to just give a call to Nintendo's 1-800-255-3700 (6 am ~ 7 pm Pacific, everyday) Customer Service number, or use their webform to contact them, and they could repair it for you and you wouldn't have to worry about accidentally breaking anything or wasting money and still not being able to fix it.😊
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Yep, you will have to send it or get a new ds which I would do since it wont cost me a lot more.