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$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 f(x) - 4f(x) - 3x^2 + 12}{x f^2(x) - 2f^2(x) - 9x + 18} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x)(x^2 - 4) - 3(x^2 - 4)}{f^2(x)(x - 2) - 9(x - 2)} = \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{(x^2 - 4)(f(x) - 3)}{(x - 2)(f^2(x) - 9)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{\cancel{(x-2)}(x+2)\cancel{(f(x)-3)}}{\cancel{(x-2)}\cancel{(f(x)-3)}(f(x)+3)} = \\&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x+2}{f(x)+3} \stackrel{\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} f(x)=3}{=} \frac{2+2}{3+3} = \frac{4}{6} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}\end{aligned}$$