



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Gustavo Rivera Launches Free Community Civics Classes

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State Senator Gustavo Rivera (D, WF-Bronx) last Thursday launched a series of community civic classes he will be teaching at the Bronx Library Center.

Senator Rivera's civics course will start on October 13th and will continue every Thursday until November 3rd with a graduation ceremony to celebrate the completion of the course. The course will focus on learning about the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, the different levels of government, as well as how government and elections work.

"Drawing on my experience as a Professor of Political Science, I am excited to be teaching a community civics class in the 33rd Senate District to members of the community who want to learn more about government and civic participation," said Senator Rivera. "Government is suppose to work for the people. I believe strongly that the more knowledgeable one is about how government works, the more able one is to advocate and demand more from your government and elected officials. I hope this course will help to empower the residents of the Bronx to get more involved in advocating for issues and policies they care about and that what they learn will be instrumental in them demanding more of their government."

Join Senator Rivera for the following community civics classes -

- October 20 - Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

- October 27 - State and Local Government
- November 3 - Voting and Elections

This course is FREE TO THE PUBLIC and we encourage Bronxites of all ages to attend. Senator Rivera's office is encouraging Bronxites to attend all four classes, but it is not necessary in order to participate.