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Senator Alesi Meets WITH Students From Eastridge High School in the State Capitol

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Nearly Two Dozen Local High School Students Traveled to Albany on Wednesday for the Governor's State of the State Address

Senator Alesi yesterday met with students from Eastridge High School to discuss their reactions to Governor Cuomo's 2012 State of the State Address and listen to their thoughts on the Legislative year ahead. The students from Eastridge were among hundreds of students from across New York State invited to attend the annual State of the State Address and were accompanied by Superintendent Sue Allen, Deputy Superintendent John Abbott, Eastridge Principal Mary Grow and Eastridge High School teachers.

"I was delighted to meet with Eastridge students to hear of their rare and special experience of attending the State of the State live and in person," said Senator Alesi. "It is always refreshing to see young men and women interested in state government and the legislative process. As their representative in Albany, I remain committed to partnering with Governor Cuomo to ensure they receive the best education possible. With his delivery of the State of the State Address, Governor Cuomo has officially kicked off the 2012 Legislative Session and I am optimistic that we can build on our successes from last year's historic session, including the restoration of nearly \$230 million in school aid for students across the state. As the Governor indicated in his address, the students of our state need a strong advocate in Albany fighting for them and I will do everything in my ability to fight for Eastridge and all schools in my District."

Eastridge students are members of the high school's International Baccalaureate program and are taking a "History of the Americas" class. Besides attending the State of the State Address and meeting with Senator Alesi, the students also toured the State Capitol building.

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