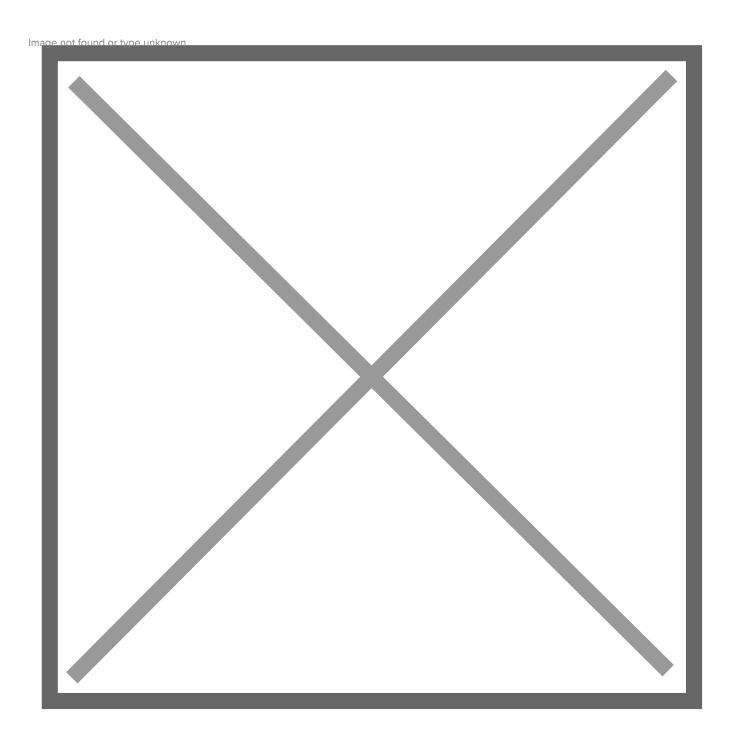


Launch of Pipeline Mentorship Program in Brownsville

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Mentorship acts as a bridge between generations. It allows older generations to share their experiences. In turn, mentorship allows participating youth to share their perspectives, their aspirations, and their vision for the future. Altogether, everyone who participates has their horizons expanded.

That is why I am so excited about the launch of our Pipeline Mentorship Program at PS 284 today. We have more than 20 mentors from across our city. Mentors committed to presenting a monthly program of workshops on conflict resolution, leadership development, coding, and more.

Pipeline is part of a broader effort to expand opportunities for young people in our community. I know they have the talent to be coders, lawyers, doctors, civic leaders, any number of career paths that they choose to pursue. We have the positive community role models who can share their stories and Pipeline serves to build the pathways to future success for our community's youth.

Thanks to everyone making this program possible including NYS Assembly Member Latrice Walker, District Leader Anthony Jones, District Leader Geoffrey Davis, the United Against Violence Taskforce. Thanks to all the educators and students who participated today. And a special thanks to the mentors volunteering to help expand opportunities for our community's talented young people.