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## Support Arts Learning

### You Can Build Students' Creativity and Confidence

You can have a hand in fostering the next generation of storytellers. Through [EPIC \(Empathic Playwriting Intensive Course\)](#), Silk Road Rising's in-class arts-learning program, we have empowered thousands of Chicago Public Schools students. Our intensive approach is focused on depth of learning, and gives students valuable experience in **writing** and **civic engagement** across 20 sessions as they each write 10-minute plays about issues in their communities.

This past year, **CPS students have had a lot on their minds**. From exploring issues of gang violence and racial profiling, to crafting moving plays about identity, immigration, and the power of peaceful protest, [you can give](#) students an outlet to [voice their beliefs](#) in a **constructive and creative manner**.

"Thank you for brightening our week with your artistic presence and for **inspiring and motivating us to write**. I know we were a little wild, but that's only because **we were having fun**."

—Student at Eric Solorio Academy High School

Due to budget concerns, **arts programming is frequently cut** by principals. EPIC gives schools a way to infuse their curriculum with the arts through residencies with depth and breadth. **You can bring theatre and playwriting into students' classrooms** by supporting Silk Road Rising and EPIC. [Give Today](#) »



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Thank you,  
Malik Gillani

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