



Our campaign for U.S. Senate continues to heat up. From speaking engagements before students, union workers and Democratic Town Committees (Maynard and Falmouth) to increasing press coverage to gathering our nomination signatures, we are going full throttle into the next stage of the campaign.

In The News

[U.S. Senate candidate Marisa DeFranco takes on healthcare, immigration and Elizabeth Warren](#)

[DeFranco Unabashedly Liberal in Senate Run](#)

Team DeFranco on the Ground

Last week, I was honored to be the first candidate invited to the inaugural “Campaigns on Campus” at Salem State University. That was appropriate, because I am the candidate calling for affordable state university tuition rates, coupled with direct government loans at low rates of no more than 4%, thereby getting the private banks entirely out of the system. Educating our young people is a most important investment that we must make now, with no time to waste—period.

On Saturday, February 4, I [spoke before a large audience at the Service Employees International Union gathering in Dorchester](#).

Talking one-on-one with numerous SEIU members confirmed how important it is that Democrats talk proudly about our support for unions. I have been doing just that since I began my campaign in the cold days of March 2011—[here's a clip of my address before the AFL-CIO back in October](#):

And now, with our nomination papers in hand, our team and I have been traveling to Party caucuses all over the state, getting convention delegates on board and collecting the signatures we need to get on the ballot. I am thrilled with the response our team is receiving—and I hope you can join us.

[**Click here to sign up to volunteer for collecting signatures. Be sure to bring a friend!**](#)

Onwards,

Marisa DeFranco