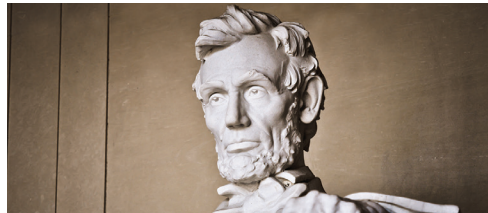


CLOSE UP HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

Four Day - Washington, DC



Saturday

Arrive in Washington, DC

Meet your Close Up Concierge and explore DC with your school

Lunch & Orientation

Meet students from across the country and get to know your Close Up Program Instructor

Introduction Workshop*

What are the biggest issues that we face in our democracy today?

Exploring American Political Values Study Visit*

Where do American political values come from and what do they mean today?

Jefferson Memorial—How do the rights outlined in the Founding Documents apply to our view of liberty today?

FDR Memorial—What rights are needed to ensure equality and promote the welfare of citizens in the US?

U.S. Marine Corps Memorial

Visit the larger than life representation of the iconic flag-raising at Iwo Jima

American Political Values Workshop

Examine the connections between liberty, equality and justice

Dinner at Pentagon City Mall

Issues Debate

Ask your most challenging political questions and hear from a liberal and a conservative DC insider

* Workshops are small learning communities comprised of students from various states. Each workshop community is led by the same Close Up Program Instructor for the duration of the trip.

* Study Visits led by highly-trained instructors provide unique opportunities to learn using historic sites and institutions as living classrooms.

Sample schedule subject to change.

Sunday

Sustaining Democracy Workshop

What citizen actions are necessary to foster and maintain a vibrant democracy?

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Study Visit

How do we see MLK's view of justice in the US today?

White House Study Visit

Discuss the purpose of protests and what restrictions of protests are legitimate

Citizen Action Sites

Get inspired by examples of citizens making a difference in their communities and the nation

Neighborhood Study Visit and Lunch

Explore DC off the beaten path, e.g. U Street, Chinatown

Smithsonian Museum of African American History & Culture

All You Can Eat Pizza Dinner

DC's Signature Night Monument Tour

See DC's magical landscape at night including the U.S. Air Force and 9/11 Pentagon Memorials

Social Activity

Monday

War Memorials Study Visit

What do the WWII, Vietnam, and Korean Memorials say about those who have served and sacrificed?

Lincoln Memorial

What does the imagery of the Lincoln Memorial say about Lincoln's legacy?

Lunch at National Place

National Politics Seminar*

Gain inside access and discuss current issues with a DC lobbyist, journalist, or policymaker

Capitol Hill Group Photo

Smithsonian Institution Exploration

Discover the world-renowned museum of your choice on the National Mall

Dinner at DC's Historic Union Station

Mock Congress Workshop & Simulation

Debate, amend, and vote on the same issues elected representatives are currently considering

Social Activity

Tuesday

Capitol Hill Day

Meet with your members of Congress or their staff

Attend and observe Congressional Committee Hearings to see how laws and policies are formed

Explore the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center and Museum

Lunch at a Hill Cafeteria, a hot spot for Washington insiders

Visit the Supreme Court where many landmark cases are decided

Explore the Library of Congress, the largest library in the world, and view the symbolic art and architecture

Witness the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives in action in the Galleries

Depart for Home

“Close Up was one of the best experiences ever! I will never forget this trip!”

— Michelle, Student, CA