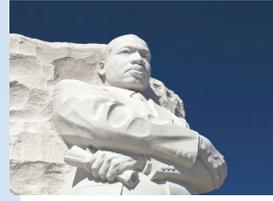


CLOSE UP HIGH SCHOOL - WASHINGTON, DC & NEW YORK CITY



SUNDAY

Arrive in Washington
Meet your Close Up Concierge and explore DC with your school

Welcome Dinner

Group 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?

Issues Debate

Ask your most challenging political questions and engage with a **liberal and 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.

MONDAY

American Political Values Study Visit **

How do the values of **liberty, equality, and justice** impact trends and ideas in the U.S. political system today?

Jefferson Memorial—

What is the significance of liberty in the Founding Documents?

FDR Memorial—How was equality defined by FDR and his New Deal?

MLK Memorial—How did MLK influence the value of justice during the Civil Rights Movement?

Lunch at Reagan Building and International Trade Center

Smithsonian Institution Exploration

Visit one of the **world-renowned museums** to learn about history and culture

American Political Values Workshop

Examine the connections between liberty, equality, and justice

Dinner at Hotel

Current Issues Discussion

Debate hot topics with your new friends from across the country

TUESDAY

War Memorials Study Visit

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

Lincoln Memorial

How does the **imagery of this memorial** portray his legacy?

National Politics Seminar

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

Group Photo

Lunch at L'Enfant Plaza

Citizen Action Site

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

U.S. Marine Corps Memorial

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

Dinner at Pentagon City

Mock Congress Workshop

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

WEDNESDAY

Capitol Hill Day

Get an exclusive, insider's look at how our government operates by **meeting with members of Congress** or their staff

Tour the Capitol and discover the exhibits in the **Capitol Visitor Center**

Lunch on the **National Mall**

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

Pop into one of the **Smithsonian Museums**, see the **Washington Monument** or visit **National Archives**

Dinner at DC's Union Station

DC Cultural Event

See a **show at a renowned theater** or **night on the town!**

Social Time

THURSDAY

White House Photo Op

Discuss the role of the **executive branch** as you walk through the president's neighborhood

Citizen Action Seminar

Hear from an advocacy organization & how they are impacting the community

Neighborhood Study Visit and Lunch

Explore DC off the beaten path in places like **Dupont Circle** or **Chinatown**

Air Force Memorial

Honor those who have served in the Air Force and get a breathtaking view of the city

Arlington Cemetery

Visit our nation's most hallowed ground and **witness the Changing of the Guard**

Closing Reflection

How will you **stay engaged** on issues that matter to you?

Banquet and Dance

Enjoy a **fun-filled evening with your new friends** as you dance the night away

FRIDAY

Depart for New York City

Lunch in Upper West Side Neighborhood

Central Park Study Visit

Explore landmarks such as **Strawberry Fields, Imagine Circle, and Belvedere Castle**

Metropolitan Museum of Art Study Visit

Examine history through art at one of the **world's largest and finest art museums**

Dinner in Times Square

Enjoy **dinner under the bright lights** in the heart of the Big Apple

Times Square Study Visit

Visit Broadway - **'The Great White Way'** - in **New York City's famous Theater District**

Performance at a Broadway Theater

See a show and experience first-hand why New York City is considered the **cultural capital of the nation**

SATURDAY

Ferry Ride from Battery Park to Ellis Island

Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island Study Visit

Learn more about the universal **symbol of freedom** and democracy

Lunch and Study Visit in the Financial District

9/11 Memorial Study Visit
Reflect on the significance of this **world-changing event**

Brooklyn Bridge Walk

Take in **astounding views** of the city from this **iconic bridge**

Dinner in Little Italy

Rockefeller Plaza

See 360° views of New York City from the **Top of the Rock**

SUNDAY

Sightsee in the Big Apple
Prior to your departure, **spend time in the city** with your school

Depart for Home