CLOSE UP MIDDLE SCHOOL - PROGRAM FOR NEW AMERICANS









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**

Essentials of Democracy Workshop*

Share how the government impacts your day-to-day life and discover ways you can influence government decisions

Social Time

*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.

MONDAY

Founding Documents Workshop

Take a look at how the Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution, and Bill of Rights impact America today

National Archives Study Visit**

Explore American history through our nation's Charters of Freedom

Lunch at L'Enfant Plaza

Thomas Jefferson Memorial Study Visit

Learn about one of America's most influential presidents and decide what rights are important to you

Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial **Study Visit**

Discuss the New Deal and government responsibility

U.S. Marine Corps Memorial

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

Dinner at DC's Historic Union Station

Characteristics of a Good Law Workshop

Prepare for Tuesday on the Hill and learn how laws are made

TUESDAY

Congressional Deliberation

Examine pressing national issues and deliberate on policy options

Group Photo

Lunch on the National Mall

Capitol Hill Walking Workshop

Walk the halls of Congress and get an exclusive look at how our government operates

U.S. Capitol Visit

Learn the story of Congress as you explore inspiring and interactive exhibits

American History Museum Visit

Explore a variety of national treasures from colonial times to present day, such as the Star-Spangled Banner

Dinner

Lincoln Memorial Study Visit

How does the imagery of the Lincoln Memorial portray his legacy?

Evening Monuments on the National Mall

Visit the WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam War Memorials, as they illuminate the night sky

WEDNESDAY

Arlington National Cemetery

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

Lunch at Pentagon City

On-Site Study Visit

Hear from a local organization such as the Latin American Youth Center to learn about community service

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial **Study Visit**

How can an ordinary citizen accomplish extraordinary things?

White House Study Visit and Photo-Op

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

Air Force Memorial

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

Dinner

Social Activity

THURSDAY

Closing Reflection

Identify ways in which you can be more active and involved in your community

Smithsonian Natural History Museum

Feed your curiosity and explore the hands-on exhibits that capture the beauty and diversity of the natural world

The National Mall

Depart for Home

66 Close Up taught me how I can better contribute to our democracy!

- DIEGO, STUDENT, CA



Hear more from Close Up teachers, students, and parents!

Sample schedule subject to change.



CALL: 800-CLOSE UP (256-7387)

EMAIL: info@CloseUp.org

VISIT: www.CloseUp.org











