



NATIONAL YOUTH IMPACT SUMMIT



How can young people move beyond political labels and become effective leaders on critical policy issues? Join high school students from across the country for the National Youth Impact Summit to deliberate on pressing national challenges and create informed, lasting solutions! This one-week program equips you with the tools and knowledge to become a catalyst for change in your community.

You will research and understand the characteristics and causes of pressing national issues, consider the value of deliberation, develop a cohesive Youth Agenda for Action, and meet with public officials to advocate for your proposals. Led by Close Up faculty, you will also participate in a facilitation training and work with your peers on a real-world deliberative democracy project.

Program Details

In this week-long program, led by Close Up faculty, students will:

- Network with a diverse group of their peers from across the country;
- Hear inspiring stories from young activists on strategies and models of advocacy and activism;
- Deepen their understanding of national issues and root causes;
- Participate in a program-wide deliberation led by Stanford's Deliberative Democracy Lab;
- Work in small groups to create meaningful solutions and craft policy proposals; and
- Present their national proposals to decision-makers on Capitol Hill.

Dates: Saturday, July 22 - Saturday, July 29, 2023

Location: The National Youth Impact Summit will take place in a Washington, DC, metropolitan area hotel.

Eligibility

Students who have completed 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade with an interest in current events, government, and/or public policy.

Tuition

\$2,750 per student covers all program components, lodging, and student meals.

Application Process

Please [apply here](#). The early application deadline is April 21, 2023 and regular application deadline is May 5, 2023 - space is limited! Close Up and the National Network of Schools in Partnership (NNSP) are committed to equity and inclusion; please contact us for financial aid information.

About Us

The [Close Up Foundation](#) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan civic education organization dedicated to helping students develop the knowledge and skills they need to become informed, active, and engaged citizens.

[NNSP](#) brings together public, private, and charter schools to focus on community engagement and impact by connecting what they study in the classroom to what is happening in the real world.

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