

NATIONAL YOUTH IMPACT SUMMIT



SCHOOLS REPRESENTED AT THE NATIONAL YOUTH IMPACT SUMMIT IN 2022

Academy of Our Lady of Peace
 Academy of the Sacred Heart
 Alcuin School
 Ann Richards School for Young Women Leaders
 Archbishop Mitty High School
 Ashley Hall
 Bancroft School
 Beaumont High School
 Benedictine High School
 Brentwood School
 Bright Star Secondary Charter Academy
 Bryn Mawr School
 Churchill School and Center
 Convent of the Sacred Heart
 Dunn High School
 Episcopal School of Dallas
 Fontbonne Hall Academy
 Francis W. Parker School
 Friends School of Baltimore
 Greenwich Academy
 Horace Mann School
 J. M. Hanks High School
 JCHS (Jewish Community High School of the Bay)
 LACES
 Lake Forest Academy

Latin School of Chicago
 Marymount School of New York
 Newark Academy
 Notre Dame High School Belmont
 Oak Knoll
 Our Lady of Mercy Academy
 Riverdale Country Day School
 Rock Ridge High School & Academy of Science
 Sage Hill School
 San Domenico School
 Sonoma Academy
 South High School
 St. Cecilia Academy
 St. Paul's School for Girls
 Strake Jesuit College Preparatory
 The Head-Royce School
 The Hockaday School
 The Lovett School
 The Rivers School
 The Webb Schools
 The Winsor School
 The Young Women's Leadership School of East Harlem
 Ursuline Academy of Dallas
 Vivian Webb School
 Whitney Young High School

HEAR WHAT STUDENTS HAVE TO SAY

This program has inspired me to explore and be free. I think that Close Up always has a way of bringing together brilliant and talented students, and I am always in awe of how much authenticity other participants bring out of me. Bringing my rawest and truest self is the most revolutionary way to take action on the issues that I care about.
 – *Student, Oakland, CA*

If you care about politics, you care about change and making the world a better place, if you want to feel less alone, there is not a better opportunity for you.
 – *Student, Hayward, CA*

The most powerful aspect of the summit for me was being able to pitch our proposals to real change makers in Washington. It made me feel heard, and it helped me understand how, although it is sometimes difficult to communicate with the right audience, change can be sparked simply by communication, thoughts and ideas with others like-minded, or not.
 – *Student, Seattle, WA*

This program has inspired me to continue to go forth in my passion of politics and social justice.
 – *Student, Torrance, CA*

This program has inspired me to continue to advocate for what I believe in. I think that I want to expand the deliberative democracy to my school and hopefully try and use some of the processes that we used in this program to help the students at my school acknowledge the different ideas and opinions that people may have.
 – *Student, Savannah, GA*

I found that being able to create our own policies on issues that we care about and presenting them to congress staff was especially valuable. I feel like it gave us an idea of what lawmakers are doing and what they are taking into consideration while writing these policies. I also think that it was valuable because I was able to learn more about the topic I cared about while writing a policy for it.
 – *Student, Baltimore, MD*