

WASHINGTON, DC HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER PROGRAM SAMPLE SCHEDULE



SUNDAY

- **Arrive in Washington**
Meet Your Teacher Program Specialist and explore DC with your students
- **Teacher Dinner & Orientation**
- **Student Evening Activities Optional For Teachers:**
- **Introduction Workshop***
- **Issues Debate**

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

* 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

- **Teacher Breakfast & Speaker**
- **All Day Out-of-Town Elective: Quantico, VA**
National Museum of the Marine Corps
Lunch on your own in Occoquan, VA
Tour Gunston Hall, home of George Mason (\$10 admission)
- **In-Town Morning Elective:**
Visit several Places of Worship in Washington, DC
OR
Student Methodology – Three Faces of Democracy: Examine ideas championed by these famous figures
- **Lunch on your own at Metro Center (\$)**
- **In-Town Afternoon Elective:**
In-Depth Tour of Arlington National Cemetery
OR
Student Methodology – War Memorials: Discuss what the memorials say about those who have served and sacrificed
- **Teacher Reception**
- **Student Evening Activities Optional for Teachers:**
- **Current Issues Discussion**

TUESDAY

- **Morning Elective Options:**
Explore the Un-peaceful Transfers of Power (focused on Political Assassinations)
OR
In Depth Capitol Hill Workshop
Sit in on a Supreme Court Argument when in session
Attend Congressional Committee Hearings
OR
Capitol Hill Walking Workshop (Recommended for First-Time Teachers)
Learn the Logistics for Capitol Hill Day
- **Lunch at Eastern Market**
- **Afternoon Electives:**
Masonic History, visit the 16th Street Scottish Rite of Free Masonry Temple
OR
Visit Dumbarton Oaks, Historic Estate, Museum & Gardens
OR
Teaching Controversial Issues: Tools & Techniques to use in your classroom
- **Dinner on Your Own (\$)**
- **Student Evening Activities Optional for Teachers:**
- **Mock Congress Workshop**
- **Student/Teacher Meetings**

WEDNESDAY

- **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 the Longworth 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**
- **Dinner on your own at H St. Corridor/Atlas District (\$)**
- **DC Cultural Event**
See a performance at a renowned theater or cheer on the Washington Nationals baseball team!

THURSDAY

- **All Day Out-of-Town Elective: Charlottesville, VA**
Visit The University of Virginia campus
Lunch on your own in downtown
Experience Thomas Jefferson's legacy at Monticello (\$25 admission)
- **In-Town Morning Elective Option:**
Visit the National Arboretum including the National Bonsai & Penjing Museum and National Capitol Columns
- **Lunch On Your Own (\$)**
- **In-Town Afternoon Elective option:**
Take a tour of the Clara Barton Missing Soldier's Office Museum (\$9.50 admission)
- **Teacher Closing Reflection**
- **Banquet and Dance**

FRIDAY

- **Sightsee in Washington**
Prior to your departure, spend some more time in the city with your students
- **Depart for Home**

EXTEND YOUR STAY

You can opt to include tickets to the **NEWSEUM** – DC's interactive museum of journalism and current events – or a visit to **MT. VERNON** – George Washington's home in Virginia – to any of our extra day packages.

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

– Michelle, Student, CA