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The Close Up Foundation is a non-profit, non-partisan organization that has a proven track record of providing high quality programs and resources to build a new generation of informed and engaged citizens. Since 1971, Close Up has served more than 900,000 students and teachers from across the country. Close Up programs, professional development for educators, and classroom resources provide opportunities to help young people increase political efficacy, knowledge about historical and current issues, and develop the skills to carry out civic-related activities.

Close Up’s transformative, Washington-based programs offer intense, inspiring, and skill-building experiences that give students the opportunity to discuss and debate current issues with peers, interact with key policy and media experts, and participate in legislative simulations. Each year, more than 20,000 students and teachers from across the country participate in these programs.

Meeting with Members of Congress is a critical component of the Washington-based programs and Close Up facilitates more than 1,100 meetings with Members of Congress and staff. These meetings provide an important opportunity for young people to engage directly with elected officials and ask questions about the important policy issues that impact their communities.

For more information about Close Up please visit: www.closeup.org.
Many Close Up alumni return to D.C. for school, internships, and work on the Hill. We are especially proud to have the following Members of Congress who are Close Up alumni.

Sen. Patrick Toomey (R-PA)
Sen. James Lankford (R-OK)
Rep. Rob Bishop (R-UT)
Rep. David Cicilline (D-RI)

Former Members Include:
Sen. Mary Landrieu (D-LA)
Sen. David Vitter (R-LA)

Rep. Patrick McHenry (R-NC)
Rep. Adam Smith (D-WA)
Rep. Ann Wagner (R-MO)
Rep. Steve Horsford (D-NV)

Rep. Joe Garcia (D-FL)
Rep. Carlos Curbelo (R-FL)

Rep. Dusty Johnson (R-SD)
Rep. Lizzie Pannill-Fletcher (D-TX)
Rep. Bryan Steil (R-WI)
Rep. Michael San Nicolas (D-GU)

Rep. Betty Sutton (D-OH)
Rep. Tim Walz (D-MN)

“Close Up Foundation does fantastic work connecting students with their members of Congress, and I’m honored to be a regular participant in their program. The students from Michigan’s Third District always impress me with their insights and questions, and I enjoy the engaging conversations we have.”
Close Up has a long history of bi-partisan support from Congress. Below are the Members and congressional offices who met with Close Up students and teachers during the 2017-18 program year.

**SENATE MEMBERS**
Sen. Dan Sullivan (R-AK)
Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)
Sen. Luther Strange (R-AL)
Sen. Doug Jones (D-AL)
Sen. Richard Shelby (R-AL)
Sen. John Boozman (R-AR)
Sen. Tom Cotton (R-AR)
Sen. Jeff Flake (R-AZ)
Sen. John McCain (R-AZ)
Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)
Sen. Kamala Harris (D-CA)
Sen. Cory Gardner (R-CO)
Sen. Michael Bennet (D-CO)
Sen. Chris Murphy (D-CT)
Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-CT)
Sen. Chris Coons (D-DE)
Sen. Tom Carper (D-DE)
Sen. Bill Nelson (D-FL)
Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL)
Sen. David Perdue (R-GA)
Sen. Johnny Isakson (R-GA)
Sen. Brian Schatz (D-HI)
Sen. Mazie Hirono (D-HI)
Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA)
Sen. Joni Ernst (R-IA)
Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)
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Sen. Joe Donnelly (D-IN)
Sen. Deb Fischer (R-NE)
Sen. Ben Sasse (R-NE)
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Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO)
Sen. Roger Wicker (R-MS)
Sen. Thad Cochran (R-MS)
Sen. Jon Tester (D-MT)
Sen. Claire McCaskill (D-MO)
Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-VT)
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Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)
Sen. Ron Johnson (R-WI)
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Sen. Joe Manchin (D-WV)
Sen. Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV)
Sen. John Barrasso (R-WY)
Sen. Mike Enzi (R-WY)
Sen. Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)
Sen. Angus King (I-ME)
Sen. Susan Collins (R-ME)
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)
Sen. Gary Peters (D-MI)
Sen. Al Franken (D-MN)
Sen. Tina Smith (D-MN)
Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-MN)
Sen. Mark Warner (D-VA)
Sen. Sergey Saridis (D-VT)
Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-CT)
Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA)
Sen. Ed Markey (D-MA)
Sen. Ben Cardin (D-MD)
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Sen. Steve Daines (R-MT)
Sen. Richard Burr (R-NC)
Sen. Thom Tillis (R-NC)
Sen. Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND)
Sen. John Hoeven (R-ND)
Sen. Ben Sasse (R-NE)
Sen. Deb Fischer (R-NE)
Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)
Sen. Margaret Hassan (D-NH)
Sen. Cory Booker (D-NJ)
Sen. Martin Heinrich (D-NM)
Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM)
Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV)
Sen. Dean Heller (R-NV)
Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-NY)
Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY)
Sen. Rob Portman (R-OH)
Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-OH)
Sen. James Lankford (R-OK)
Sen. Jim Inhofe (R-OK)
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Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR)
Sen. Bob Casey (D-PA)
Sen. Pat Toomey (R-PA)
Sen. Jack Reed (D-RI)
Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)
Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC)
Sen. Tim Scott (R-SC)
Sen. John Thune (R-SD)
Sen. Mike Rounds (R-SD)
Sen. Bob Corker (R-TN)
Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN)
Sen. John Cornyn (R-TX)
Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX)
Sen. Mike Lee (R-UT)
Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-UT)
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Sen. John Barrasso (R-WY)
Sen. Mike Enzi (R-WY)

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Rep. Bradley Byrne (R-AL)
Rep. Mike Rogers (R-AL)
Rep. Gary Palmer (R-AL)
Rep. Rick Crawford (R-AR)
Rep. Bruce Westerman (R-AR)
Rep. Aumua Amata Radewagen (R-AS)
Rep. Tom O’Halleran (D-AZ)
Rep. Raúl Grijalva (D-AZ)
Rep. Paul Gosar (R-AZ)
Rep. Andy Biggs (R-AZ)
Rep. David Schweikert (R-AZ)
Rep. Ruben Gallego (D-AZ)
Rep. Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ)
Rep. Doug LaMalfa (R-CA)
Rep. Jared Huffman (D-CA)
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As a former school teacher, I am a witness to the great value of the Close Up Foundation.

- Rep. Rob Bishop (R-UT), Close Up Alum
Close Up students arrive at the Capitol energetic, engaged, prepared and inquisitive regardless of which city or town they call home...

Rep. Joe Kennedy III (D-MA)

“I make it a priority to meet with West Michigan students visiting the nation’s capital especially those with Close Up. The Close Up program provides an invaluable educational experience by helping students engage with their elected officials and observe the legislative process first hand. I believe the Close Up program has a lasting impact on the students who participate and inspires many to become actively involved in their government.”

Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR)

“In a democracy like ours, it’s critical for young Americans to get a close-up look at our government, and to understand that our nation’s governance is a hands-on process that every American has a right and responsibility to be involved in...”

Rep. Bill Huizenga (R-MI)
Senator Tina Smith (D-MN)

“Meeting with Minnesota students visiting our nation’s Capitol with Close Up always leaves me inspired. It’s a chance to hear about what they’re doing through the program in Washington, the issues that are on the top of their minds, and their ideas about how we can create change and improve lives together.”

Close Up provides a valuable public service by helping young people of all backgrounds understand the rights that are given to every American...

Rep. Rob Bishop (R-UT), Close Up Alum
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