

CLOSE UP HIGH SCHOOL INAUGURATION PROGRAM

Washington, DC



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

Introduction Workshop*
What are the **biggest issues that we face** in our democracy today?

Issues Debate
Ask your most challenging political questions and engage with a **liberal and a conservative DC insider**

Social Time

EXTEND YOUR STAY!

Enhance your Close Up experience and spend an extra day in DC! Choose to visit **MOUNT VERNON**, George Washington's home in Virginia, or other iconic sites and exciting neighborhoods in the nation's capital with your school.

MONDAY

Exploring American Political Values Study Visit**
Where do American political values come from and what do they mean?

Jefferson Memorial—How do the rights outlined in the Founding Documents apply to our view of liberty today?

FDR Memorial—What rights are needed to ensure equality?

MLK Memorial—How do we see MLK's view of justice in the US today?

Group Photo

Lunch at Smithsonians

Presidential Seminar
Take a deeper look at the President's agenda

U.S. Marine Corps Memorial
Visit the larger-than-life representation of the iconic flag-raising at **Iwo Jima**

Dinner at Hotel

Mock Congress Workshop & Simulation
Debate, amend, and vote on the same issues elected representatives are currently considering

TUESDAY

Arlington National Cemetery
Visit our nation's most hallowed ground and **witness the Changing of the Guard**

Lunch at National Place

War Memorials Study Visit

What do the **WWII, Lincoln, Vietnam, and Korean Memorials** say about **those who have served and sacrificed?**

Pre-Inauguration Events
Kick off the festivities for the Presidential Inauguration with these once-in-a-lifetime events! e.g. headliner concerts, fireworks on the National Mall

Dinner

American Political Values Workshop
Examine the connections between **liberty, equality, and justice**

Social Time

WEDNESDAY

Attend Inauguration Day Events with Your School

Swearing-in of the U.S. President and Vice President
Watch history in the making as the President gets sworn into office

Inaugural Address
Be inspired as you listen to the President address the nation

Inaugural Parade
See the President and Vice President make their way down Pennsylvania Avenue to the White House

Lunch at Inauguration Events

Dinner at Hotel

Inaugural Ball
Celebrate and dance the night away at this **exclusive event with fun games, great food, and three live DJs!**

THURSDAY

Capitol Hill Walking Workshop
Walk the halls of Congress to get a first-hand look at how the legislative branch works

Congressional Seminar
Examine the goals of the new Congress and discuss their impact on the future of our nation

Neighborhood Study Visit and Lunch
Explore DC off the beaten path, e.g. U Street, Adams Morgan

DC's Hidden Gem
Discover another side of DC with a visit to one of its lesser-known sites

Dinner

Current Issues in Public Policy Workshop
Debate hot topics with your new friends from across the country

Social Time

FRIDAY

Spend the Day with Your School Exploring DC

Smithsonian Institution Museums

Chinatown and The National Portrait Gallery

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum

Final Workshop
How will you **stay engaged** on issues that matter to you?

Banquet and Dance
Enjoy a **fun-filled evening** with your new friends

SATURDAY

Sightsee in Washington
Prior to your departure, **spend some more time in the city** with your school

Depart for Home

Close Up gave me the opportunity to have my voice heard!
— Kris, Student, TX

* 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.

† Inaugural public events planned by the Presidential Inaugural Committee are not guaranteed and subject to availability.

Sample schedule subject to change.