

# CLOSE UP MIDDLE 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\***  
Why does the government matter?

### EXTEND YOUR STAY!

Enhance your Close Up experience and spend an extra day in DC! Visit other iconic sites and exciting neighborhoods in the nation's capital with your school.

## MONDAY

**Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Study Visit\*\***  
Should government take an active role in providing for people's basic needs?

**MLK Memorial Study Visit**  
What actions can citizens take when they disagree with government?

### Lunch at National Place

**Thomas Jefferson Memorial Study Visit**  
What rights are guaranteed and how have they changed?

### Group Photo

**White House Photo Op & National Archives Study Visit**  
Explore American history through our nation's most cherished documents:

**Declaration of Independence**  
**U.S. Constitution**  
**Bill of Rights**

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

### Dinner at Pentagon City

**Characteristics of a Good Law Workshop**  
Consider the challenges of creating good laws

## TUESDAY

**Mt. Vernon Study Visit**  
Examine the legacy of our first president as you explore the home, gardens, and farms of George Washington's riverside estate

### Lunch at Mt. Vernon

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

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

### Dinner

## 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

**DC Cultural Event**  
See an exclusive show at a **renowned theater** to top off this day of celebration!

## THURSDAY

**Mock Congress Workshop & Simulation**  
Take on the role of a member of Congress to debate and vote on today's most pressing issues

### Lunch at L'Enfant Plaza

**Capitol Hill Study Visit**  
Walk the halls of Congress to get a first-hand look at how the legislative branch works

**Smithsonian American History Museum**  
Discover the complexity and richness of our nation's history at this acclaimed museum

### Dinner

**Evening Monuments on the National Mall**  
Visit the **WWII, Korean, Vietnam, and Lincoln Memorials** as they illuminate the night sky

## FRIDAY

**Spend the Day with Your School Exploring DC**

**Smithsonian Institution Museums**

**Chinatown and National Portrait Gallery**

**U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum**

**Reflection Workshop**  
Reflect on what you have learned and identify ways in which you can be more **active and involved** in your community

**Dinner at Dave & Buster's**  
Have a blast as you eat and play games with your new friends from across the country!

## SATURDAY

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

**Depart for Home**

I have always been interested in government and this was an excellent way to see how it works in real life!

– Eric, 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.