**Monday**

**Arrive in Washington, DC**
Meet your Close Up Concierge and explore DC with your school

**Group Orientation**
Meet students from across the country who you will spend the week with and get to know your Close Up Program Instructor

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

**Founding Documents Activity & Workshop**
Learn about our founding documents and the events and people that led to their creation

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**Tuesday**

**Depart for Williamsburg, VA**

**Williamsburg Study Visit**
Immerse yourself in Virginia’s colonial history and learn about 18th-century life through explorations led by Williamsburg’s Historical Interpreters

**Lunch in Colonial Williamsburg**

**Historic Colonial Exploration**
Walk in the footsteps of Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, and George Wythe

**Dinner in Williamsburg**

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**Wednesday**

**Depart for Washington, DC**

**National Constitution Center**
Take a journey through the Constitution in this interactive history museum

**Lunch at National Constitution Center**

**Independence Park and Philadelphia’s Historic District**
Find yourself surrounded by American history

**Dinner in Amish Country**

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**Thursday**

**Depart for Gettysburg, PA**

**Gettysburg Cyclorama**
Experience the Battle of Gettysburg through a dramatic sound and light program that is represented in a 360 degree cylindrical painting

**Gettysburg Museum of the Civil War Study Visit and Lunch**
Explore this interactive exhibit featuring relics from the Battle of Gettysburg

**Historic Battlefield Tour**
Journey your way through the Battle of Gettysburg and learn more about the turning point in the Civil War with a Gettysburg Park Ranger

**Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address Site**
Reflect on the importance of one of America’s great speeches

**Dinner in Pentagon City**

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**Friday**

**Mount Vernon Study Visit**
Tour of George Washington’s Mansion
Explore the home, gardens & farms of his riverside estate

**Visit the Museum and Education Center**
View an array of artifacts and learn more about the first president of the United States

**Group Photo**

**Lunch & Exploration in Old Town Alexandria**
Walk the cobblestone streets of this historic port city

**Depart for Home**

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*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.

Sample schedule subject to change.

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**Close Up taught me how important it is to be an active citizen!**

– Chris, Student, CA

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**Close Up Middle School Program**

**Founding of a Nation**

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**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.