# **CLOSE UP HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER PROGRAM**

Washington, DC













**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** 

Teacher Breakfast & Speaker All Day Out-of-Town Option: **Antietam National Battlefield** 

Explore the least altered battlefield of the 'bloodiest day in American history' (\$) Lunch on your own and discover historical

## Shepherdstown, WV **In-Town Morning Option:**

Rock the Potomac: Discuss music, culture, and politics in Washington-from Duke Ellington and Chuck Brown to Fugazi

OR

Student Methodology -Three Faces of Democracy: Examine ideas championed by these famous figures

Lunch on your own at Dupont Circle (\$)

#### In-Town Afternoon Options:

The American Revolution Institute at the Anderson **House**: Engage with artifacts and original documents of the Revolution

OR

Student Methodology -War Memorials: Is the 'Just War Theory' Relevant?

**Teacher Reception** 

**Optional Student Activities:** 

**Current Issues Discussion** 

# **Morning Options:**

Congressional Cemetery: Visit gravesites and learn the stories of people such as J. Edgar Hoover, John Phillip

Sousa, and Matthew Brady OR

Capitol Hill at Work: Sit in on a Supreme Court session, attend a congressional hearing, and or visit the Library of Congress

Hill Day Orientation:

A walking workshop for new teachers to prepare for Hill Day with their students

Lunch at Eastern Market

#### Afternoon Options:

The Kennedy Center: Tour this iconic cultural center and its newest additions

OR

**Controversial Issues** Workshops: Learn strategies and obtain tools for teaching divisive issues in the classroom (3 CEUs)

**Embassy Visit** 

Dinner on Your Own (\$)

**Student Evening Activities Optional for Teachers:** 

**Mock Congress Workshop** Student/Teacher Meetings

## **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 Congressional staff and DC 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 in Chinatown

#### **DC Cultural Event**

See a show at a renowned theater or cheer on the Washington Nationals baseball team!

## All Day Out-of-Town Option:

Cryptologic Museum: Explore the museum dedicated to the history of code-breaking

Lunch in Baltimore (\$)

Fort McHenry: Visit the site of the battle during the War of 1812 that inspired the Star Spangled Banner (\$)

#### In-Town Morning Option:

The Underground Railroad Part 1: Walk parts of the Freedom Trail in Sandy Spring, MD

Lunch on your own in Georgetown (\$)

### In-Town Afternoon Option:

The Underground Railroad Part 2: Learn about heroes of the resistance and visit sites in the District that were part of the area's escape route

## **Teacher Closing Reflection**

**Student Evening Activities Optional for Teachers: Banquet and Dance** 

### Sightsee in Washington

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

**Depart for Home** 

#### **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.

Close Up was wonderful I met so many new friends and the instructors were great at explaining things. Everything we did was educational.

Abby, Student, AK

Sample schedule subject to change.













