

# CLOSE UP MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM - WASHINGTON, DC & WILLIAMSBURG



## SUNDAY

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

### Welcome Dinner

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

### Workshop: Understanding the Role of a Citizen\*

What actions can citizens take to participate in democracy?



## MONDAY

### Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Study Visit\*\*

Examine the impact individual actions can have on the government

### Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Study Visit

Look at the effect civil rights movements can have on the country

### Lunch and Exploration at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History

Discover history and culture at this world-renowned museum

### Thomas Jefferson Memorial Study Visit

What current issues have the greatest impact on your generation?

### U.S. Marine Corps Memorial

Visit the larger-than-life statue of the iconic flag-raising at Iwo Jima

### Arlington National Cemetery

Visit this hallowed ground and witness the Changing of the Guard

### Dinner at Pentagon City Mall

### Characteristics of a Good Law Workshop

Consider the challenges of creating laws



## TUESDAY

### Congressional Deliberation

Examine pressing national issues & deliberate on policy options

### White House Study Visit

Discuss the role of the executive branch as you walk through the president's neighborhood

### 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

### Capitol Hill Group Photo

### Dinner at Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center

### Evening Monuments on the National Mall

Visit the WWII, Korean, Vietnam, and Lincoln Memorials as they illuminate the night sky



## WEDNESDAY

### 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

Visit the Capitol—the seat of Colonial Virginia's power

Sit in the pews of Bruton Parish Church where George Washington worshipped

Discover the crafts of Colonial America with visits to trade shops like the apothecary and blacksmith

### Dinner in Williamsburg

### Depart for Washington, DC



## THURSDAY

### Citizenship Send-Off Workshop

Set goals and identify ways in which you can be more active and involved in your community

### Smithsonian Museum of Natural History Study Visit and Lunch

Explore the history of the natural world through this collection of 145 million specimens and artifacts

### The National Mall

### 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.



\* 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.