

CLOSE UP HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM - WASHINGTON, DC + WILLIAMSBURG



SATURDAY

Arrive in Washington
Meet your Close Up concierge and **explore the city** with your school

Welcome Dinner

SUNDAY

Sightsee with Your School
Visit some of Washington's famous landmarks with your school

Program Orientation & Community Building
Meet Close Up staff and **review your purpose and goals** for the week

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

Facts & Fun: Ultimate Trivia Night
Show off your **knowledge of Washington** with teammates from across the country



MONDAY

Citizen Action on the National Mall

American Political Values Study Visit**
How do the values of **liberty, equality, and justice** impact trends and ideas in the U.S. political system today?

Jefferson Memorial—
What is the significance of liberty in the Founding Documents?

FDR Memorial—How did FDR and his New Deal define equality?

MLK Memorial—How did MLK influence the value of justice in the Civil Rights Movement?

Lunch at Reagan Building and International Trade Center

White House Study Visit
Discuss the role of the **executive branch** as you walk through the president's neighborhood

Dinner at Hotel

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



TUESDAY

War Memorials Study Visit
What do the **WWII, Vietnam Veterans, and Korean War Veterans Memorials** say about **those who have served and sacrificed**?

Lincoln Memorial
How does the **imagery of this memorial** portray Lincoln's legacy?

Capitol Hill Group Photo

Lunch at L'Enfant Plaza

National Politics Seminar
Gain **inside access and discuss current issues** with a Washington lobbyist, journalist, or policymaker

Citizen Action Site
Get inspired by **examples of citizens making a difference** in their communities and the nation

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

Dinner at Pentagon City

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



WEDNESDAY

Capitol Hill Day
Walk the halls of Congress and get an exclusive, insider's look at how our government operates

Meet with your members of Congress or their staff

Attend **congressional committee hearings** to see how laws are formed

Explore the **Capitol Visitor Center and Museum**

Have **lunch at Longworth Cafeteria**, a hot spot for Washington insiders

Visit the **Supreme Court**, where landmark cases are decided

View the symbolic art and architecture at the **Library of Congress**, the largest library in the world

Witness the **Senate and House of Representatives** in action in the galleries

Dinner at Union Station

Washington Cultural Event
See a show at a famous theater or experience a **night on the town**

Social Time



THURSDAY

Depart for Williamsburg, VA

Colonial Williamsburg

Immerse yourself in Virginia's colonial history led by **Williamsburg's historical interpreters**

Visit the place where **Patrick Henry** got the Virginia delegates to vote for independence

Tavern Lunch in Colonial Williamsburg

Discover Williamsburg:

Governor's Palace

George Wythe House

Public Gaol

The Magazine

Dinner in Williamsburg

Depart for Washington

Sample schedule subject to change.

**Workshops are small learning communities made up 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.*

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FRIDAY

Independent Day
Explore **Washington** with your school. Possible sites include:

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum

Smithsonian Museums

Georgetown

Arlington National Cemetery

Closing Reflection
How will you **stay engaged** on issues that matter to you?

Banquet and Dance
Have a **memorable, fun-filled evening** with your new friends before returning home

SATURDAY

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

Depart for Home