

# CLOSE UP HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM - WASHINGTON, D.C. + NEW YORK



## Sunday

**Arrive in Washington**  
Meet your Close Up concierge and **explore D.C.** with your school

**Welcome Dinner\***

**Program Orientation & Community Building**  
Meet Close Up staff and **review your 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

*Sample schedule subject to change.*

*\*Student tuition includes all meals beginning with dinner on arrival day and ending with breakfast on departure day.*

*\*\*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.*



## Monday

**Citizen Action on the National Mall**  
How have citizens **created change** by making their voices heard?

**American Political Values Study Visit\*\*\***  
How do the values of **liberty, equality, and justice** impact our political system?

**Jefferson Memorial—**  
What is the significance of liberty in the founding documents?

**FDR Memorial—**How did FDR and the New Deal define equality?

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

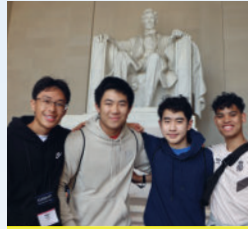
**Lunch at Reagan Building and International Trade Center**

**Smithsonian Institution**  
Learn about history and culture at one of the **world-renowned museums**

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

**Dinner**

**Current Issues Discussion**  
**Debate hot topics** with new friends from across the nation



## 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** at home and nationwide

**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

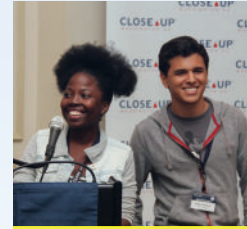
View the symbolic art and architecture at the **Library of Congress**, the largest library in the world

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

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

**Citizen Action Seminar**  
Hear from an **advocacy organization** about how they are impacting the community

**Neighborhood Study Visit and Lunch**  
Get off the beaten path in neighborhoods such as **Dupont Circle and Chinatown**

**Air Force Memorial**  
**Honor those who have served** in the Air Force and get a breathtaking view of the city

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

**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



## Friday

**Depart for New York City**  
**Lunch in Upper West Side Neighborhood**

**Central Park Study Visit**  
Explore landmarks such as **Strawberry Fields, Imagine Circle, and Belvedere Castle**

**Metropolitan Museum of Art Study Visit**  
Examine history through art at one of the **world's largest and finest art museums**

**Dinner in Times Square**  
Enjoy **dinner under the bright lights** in the heart of the Big Apple

**Times Square Study Visit**  
Visit **Broadway—"The Great White Way"**—in New York City's famous **Theater District**

**Performance at a Broadway Theater**  
See a show and experience first-hand why New York City is considered the **cultural capital of the nation**



## Saturday

**Ferry Ride from Battery Park to Liberty & Ellis Islands**

**Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island Study Visit**  
Learn more about the **universal symbol of freedom and democracy**

**Lunch and Study Visit in the Financial District**

**9/11 Memorial Study Visit**  
Reflect on the significance of this **world-changing event**

**Brooklyn Bridge Walk**  
Take in **astonishing views** of the city from this **iconic bridge**

**Dinner in Chinatown or Little Italy**

**Edge: Observation Deck**  
Visit the **highest outdoor sky deck** in the Western Hemisphere

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**Depart for Home**