CLOSE UP MIDDLE SCHOOL - WASHINGTON, D.C. + NEW YORK CITY



Arrive in Washington

Meet your Close Up concierge and explore the city 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?

Sample schedule subject to change.

*Student tuition includes all meals beginning with dinner on arrival day and ending with lunch 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.



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 at L'Enfant Plaza

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

Workshop: Characteristics of a Good Law

Consider the challenges of creating laws



Tuesday

Congressional Deliberation

Examine pressing national issues and 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 Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center

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

Smithsonian National Museum of American History

Explore history and culture at this world-renowned museum

Dinner at Hard Rock Café

Evening Monuments on the National Mall

Visit the illuminated WWII. Korean War Veterans, Vietnam Veterans, and Lincoln Memorials



Workshop: Citizenship Send-Off

Set goals and identify ways to be more active and involved in your community

Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History Study Visit and Lunch

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

Spend the afternoon exploring other sites in Washington, D.C., with your school, such as:

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum

Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum

National Portrait Gallery

Dinner



Depart for New York City

Lunch at a NYC Deli

Enjoy free exploration of one of the world's leading scientific and cultural institutions

Visit landmarks such as Strawberry Fields, Bethesda Fountain, and Belvedere Castle

Enjoy dinner under the bright lights in this iconic New York City destination

Visit Broadway –The Great White Way-in New York City's famous Theater District

See a show and experience first-hand why New York City is considered the cultural capital of the nation



Ferry Ride from Battery Park to Liberty Island

Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island

See where millions of immigrants entered the U.S. and explore the history of immigration policy

Lunch

Experience a part of the city that changed forever in 2001 and continues to have global importance today

Take in the breathtaking views from this iconic bridge

Dinner in Little Italy

Visit the highest outdoor sky deck in the Western Hemisphere

Saturday

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

Depart for Home











