

CLOSE UP HIGH SCHOOL 4-DAY PROGRAM - WASHINGTON, D.C.



Day One

Arrive in Washington, D.C.

Meet your Close Up concierge and **explore D.C. with your school** if time allows

Lunch & Orientation

Meet students from across the country and **get to know your program instructor**

Introductory Workshop*

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

Exploring 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—How do the rights outlined in the founding documents apply to our view of liberty today?

FDR Memorial—What rights are needed to ensure equality and promote the welfare of citizens?

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial—How do we see MLK's view of justice today?

Dinner in Chinatown***

U.S. Marine Corps Memorial

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

American Political Values Workshop

Examine the connections between **liberty, equality, and justice**



Day Two

Breakfast

White House Study Visit

Discuss the **purpose of protest** and what restrictions are legitimate

Citizen Action Sites

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

Neighborhood Study Visit and Lunch

Explore D.C. off the beaten path in places like **Dupont Circle, Eastern Market,** or the **African American History & Culture Museum**

Dinner at Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center

Current Issues Discussion

Debate hot topics with new friends from across the country

Social Time



Day Three

Breakfast

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

What does the imagery of this memorial say about **Lincoln's legacy**?

Lunch at L'Enfant Plaza

National Politics Seminar

Gain inside access and discuss current issues with a **D.C. lobbyist, journalist,** or **policymaker**

Capitol Hill Group Photo

Smithsonian Institution Exploration

Discover a **world-renowned museum** of your choice on the National Mall

Dinner at Pentagon City Mall

Mock Congress Workshop & Simulation

Debate, amend, and **vote** on the same issues elected representatives are currently considering

Social Time



Day Four

Breakfast

Capitol Hill Day

Meet with your **members of Congress** or their staff

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

Explore the **U.S. Capitol Visitor Center and Museum**

Lunch at **Longworth Cafeteria**

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

Explore the **Library of Congress** and view the symbolic art and architecture

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

Depart for Home

**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.*

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

Sample schedule subject to change.