

# 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.*