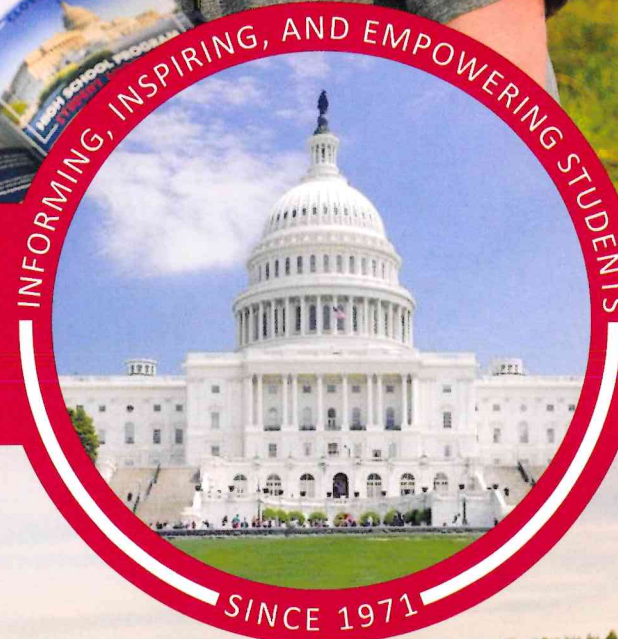


WASHINGTON, DC HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM





Ready for a once-in-a-lifetime experience? Your adventure awaits!

The Close Up experience is like no other, taking you **behind the scenes** in one of the world's most exciting and important cities! As you **explore iconic memorials, museums, and government institutions**, you'll have opportunities to **discuss issues** that are important to you, **find your voice** as a citizen, and **make lifelong friends** from every corner of the United States.

THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

SUNDAY



Arrive in Washington

Meet your Close Up concierge and explore DC with your school

Welcome Dinner

Program Orientation & Community Building

Meet Close Up staff and **explore your purpose and goals** for the week

Opening Workshop*

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

Facts & Fun: Ultimate Trivia Night

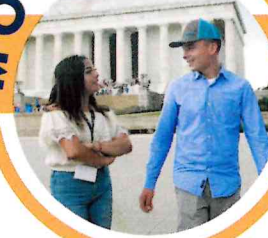
Show off your **knowledge of DC** with new teammates from across the country!

**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.*

Sample schedule subject to change.

MONDAY



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 was equality defined by FDR and his New Deal?

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

Lunch at Reagan Building and International Trade Center

Smithsonian Institution Exploration

Visit one of the **world-renowned museums** to learn about history and culture

American Political Values Workshop

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

Dinner at Hotel

Current Issues Discussion

Debate hot topics with your new friends from across the country

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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 his legacy?

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

Capitol Hill Group Photo

Lunch at L'Enfant Plaza

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
 Get an exclusive, insider's look at how our government operates by **meeting with members of Congress** or their staff

Tour the Capitol and discover the exhibits in the **Capitol Visitor Center**

Lunch on the **National Mall**

Explore the **Library of Congress**, the largest library in the world, and view the symbolic art and architecture

Pop into one of the **Smithsonian Museums**, see the **Washington Monument**, or visit **National Archives**

Dinner at DC's Union Station

DC Cultural Event
 See a **show** at a famous theatre 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
 Explore DC off the beaten path in places like **Dupont Circle** or **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
 Enjoy a **fun-filled evening** with your new friends as you dance the night away



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

Depart for Home

“
 My experience on
 Close Up has forever
 changed my life.
 I met so many
 different
 students from
 across the U.S. and
 learned how to
 take action in my
 community.”

- TREANNA, STUDENT, GA



Hear more from
 Close Up teachers,
 students, and
 parents!

ABOUT CLOSE UP

The Close Up Foundation was founded in 1971 as a comprehensive, **nonprofit, civic education organization** with the goal of helping young people understand, experience, and take part in their government. Our mission to create informed, inspired citizens remains essential over 50 years later, guiding us in our work to engage schools in all 50 states. Through **experiential programs** in our nation's capital and in local communities, **virtual programs**, **professional development** for educators, and **curriculum and resource design**, we have served more than one million students and educators nationwide.

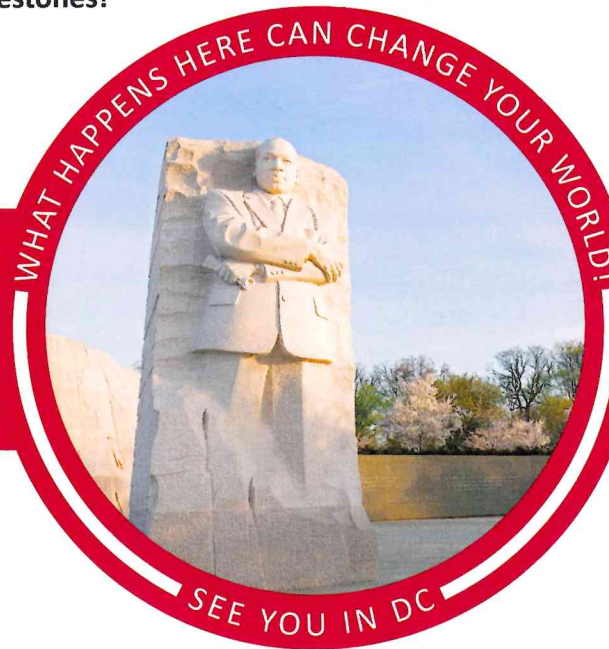


Learn more about Close Up's history, mission, and milestones!

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