

# CLOSE UP MIDDLE SCHOOL - WASHINGTON, DC & WILLIAMSBURG



## SUNDAY

### Arrive in Washington

Meet your Close Up Concierge and explore DC 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 Instructor**

### Workshop: Understanding the Role of a Citizen\*

What actions can citizens take to participate in democracy?

\*Workshops are small learning communities comprised 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

### 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 and Exploration at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History

Discover history and culture at this world-renowned museum

### 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 & 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 L'Enfant Plaza

### 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

### Dinner at Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center

### Evening Monuments on the National Mall

Visit the **WWII, Korean War, Vietnam, and Lincoln Memorials** as they illuminate the night sky



## WEDNESDAY

### Depart for Williamsburg, VA

### Williamsburg Study Visit

Immerse yourself in Virginia's colonial history and learn about 18th-century life through explorations led by **Williamsburg's Historical Interpreters**

### Lunch in Colonial Williamsburg

### Historical Colonial Exploration

**Walk in the footsteps** of Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, and George Wythe

**Visit the Capitol**—the seat of Colonial Virginia's power

Sit in the pews of **Bruton Parish Church** where George Washington worshipped

Discover the crafts of **Colonial America** with visits to trade shops like the apothecary and blacksmith

### Dinner in Williamsburg

### Depart for Washington, DC



## THURSDAY

### Workshop: Citizenship Send-Off

Set goals and identify ways in which you can be more active and involved in your community

### Smithsonian Museum of Natural History Study Visit and Lunch

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

### The National Mall

### Depart for Home

“Close Up taught me how I can better contribute to our democracy!”

— DIEGO, STUDENT, CA



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