# **CLOSE UP MIDDLE SCHOOL - WASHINGTON, DC & PHILADELPHIA**



### 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.

WASHINGTON DC



## 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 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 & 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**

**Exploration at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History** Discover history and culture at this world-renowned museum

### **Dinner at Hard Rock Café**

Evening Monuments on the National Mall Visit the WWII, Korean War, Vietnam, and Lincoln Memorials as they illuminate the night sky



### WEDNESDAY

Depart for Philadelphia, PA

### National Constitution Center

Take a journey through the Constitution in this interactive history museum

Lunch at Philly Gourmet Steaks

Independence Park and Philadelphia's Historic District Find yourself surrounded by American history

**Independence Hall:** Visit the birthplace of our nation

Liberty Bell: Visit the iconic symbol of American Independence

### **Congress Hall**

**President's House:** Discuss the irony of slavery during America's early years of independence

Dinner in Philadelphia

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** 

66 Close Up brought me closer to politics!99

- MARGARET, STUDENT, NY



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