

# CLOSE UP HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER PROGRAM

Washington, DC



Sundays

- Arrive in Washington
- Meet Your Teacher Program Specialist and explore DC with your students
- Teacher Dinner & Orientation
- Student Evening Activities
- Optional For Teachers:
- Introduction Workshop\*
- Issues Debate

Monday

- Teacher Breakfast & Speaker
- All Day Out-of-Town Elective: A Union on the Brink, the Battle of Fredericksburg
- The Civil War Battlefield
- Lunch on your own in historic Fredericksburg
- James Monroe Museum & Memorial Library
- In-Town Morning Elective: United States Holocaust Memorial Museum – Americans and the Holocaust exhibit
- OR
- Student Methodology – Three Faces of Democracy: Examine ideas championed by these famous figures
- Lunch on your own at Navy Yard/Capitol Riverfront (\$)
- In-Town Afternoon Elective: Special Exhibitions in DC
- OR
- Student Methodology – War Memorials: Discuss what the memorials say about those who have served and sacrificed
- Teacher Reception
- Student Evening Activities
- Optional For Teachers:
- Current Issues Discussion

Tuesday

- Morning Elective Options: International Intrigue in our Nation's Capital
- OR
- In-Depth Capitol Hill Workshop
- Sit in on a Supreme Court Argument when in session
- Attend Congressional Committee Hearings
- Library of Congress
- OR
- Capitol Hill Walking Workshop (Recommended for First-Time Teachers)
- Learn the Logistics for Capitol Hill Day
- Lunch in Chinatown
- Afternoon Electives: Votes for Women: Centennial of the 19th Amendment
- OR
- Issue Intensives: Deeper examinations into specific policy issues and how to teach them using DC organizations, sites and Close Up resources (6 CEUs)
- Embassy Visit
- Dinner on Your Own (\$)
- Student Evening Activities
- Optional for Teachers:
- Mock Congress Workshop
- Student/Teacher Meetings

Wednesday

- Capitol Hill Day
- Meet with your members of Congress or their staff
- Attend and observe Congressional Committee Hearings to see how laws and policies are formed
- Explore the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center and Museum
- Lunch at a Hill Cafeteria, a hot spot for Washington insiders
- Visit the Supreme Court where many landmark cases are decided
- Explore the Library of Congress, the largest library in the world, and view the symbolic art and architecture
- Witness the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives in action in the Galleries
- Dinner in Georgetown
- DC Cultural Event
- See a show at a renowned theater or cheer on the Washington Nationals baseball team!

Thursday

- All Day Out-of-Town Elective: Harpers Ferry: Civil War and Civil Rights
- Explore the events of John Brown's raid in the historic town of Harpers Ferry
- Lunch on your own in town
- Storer College-Niagara Movement and W.E.B Du Bois
- In-Town Morning Elective Option: 1968: Part I - A Nation Divided
- Eating on U Street and Exploring the Impact of the 68 Riot on the Community and Nation (\$)
- In-Town Afternoon Elective Option: 1968: Part II - A Nation Transformed
- Teacher Closing Reflection
- Student Evening Activities
- Optional for Teachers:
- Banquet and Dance

Friday

- Sightsee in Washington
- Prior to your departure, spend some more time in the city with your school
- Depart for Home

Extend your stay!

Enhance your Close Up experience and spend an extra day in DC! Choose to visit the **NEWSEUM**, DC's interactive museum of journalism and current events, or **MT. VERNON**, George Washington's home in Virginia!

“Close Up was one of the best experiences ever! I will never forget this trip!”

- Michelle, Student, CA

\* 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.