

Miles River Middle School: 8th Grade Washington, DC Trip

We are excited to announce our upcoming trip to Washington, DC! The Miles River Middle School Washington, DC trip will take place **Tuesday, June 6-Friday, June 9, 2017.**

We will be partnering with Close Up, a non-profit organization that since 1971 has provided hands-on educational programs for nearly 800,000 students and teachers from across the country. Using the nation's capital as a living classroom, students will get a "close up" view of American history, government, and democracy in action.

Close Up's unique, all-inclusive programs allow for students to have a fun and educational Washington, DC experience they will never forget. Included in this packet is information about our partner, Close Up, the cost of the program, and important dates and deadlines.

Close Up's Instruction and Supervision

Teaching Method: On all of Close Up's programs, students are broken into small, class size groups of 15-20 students and partnered with a Close Up instructor for the duration of the program. Close Up trains its own staff of full-time teaching fellows to deliver an engaging and exciting curriculum that helps students connect what they are seeing and experiencing in DC to have they have learned at school.

Safety and Security: Safety is Close Up's #1 priority – Close Up provides 24-hour supervision on program, including night monitors on every hotel hallway, one instructor per twenty students, a program leader and a dedicated Close Up representative for our school.

Program Highlights

During their time in Washington, DC, Close Up will bring students face-to-face with the people and places that have shaped our nation. Students will have the opportunity to:

- See DC's famous monuments and memorials
- Visit the world-renowned Smithsonian Museums and the Holocaust Memorial Museum
- Explore Arlington National Cemetery
- Discover DC's vibrant neighborhoods
- Participate in a dynamic mock congress activity and visit Capitol Hill
- Speak with members of Congress and Washington insiders
- Discuss current issues facing your community and country

We hope your student joins us for this once in a lifetime experience!

Craig Hovey

Principal

Miles River Middle School



School Information

School Name: Miles River Middle School

Trip Coordinator: Craig Hovey

Program Details

Dates: June 6-9, 2017

Transportation: Round-trip bus from Miles River

Program Tuition: \$970/student

Important Deadlines

Registration Opens: Oct. 20, 2016

\$300 Deposit Due (non-refundable): Nov. 4, 2016

Second \$300 Payment Due: Jan. 20, 2017

Final Payment Due: Apr. 21, 2017

100% Cancellation Deadline: Apr. 21, 2017

Program Tuition

Our all-inclusive program cost covers:

- Round-trip bus transportation
- Quality hotel accommodations
- All meals upon arrival
- Coach bus transportation around Washington, DC
- All program logistics and planning
- All entrance fees and gratuities
- Educational materials
- 24-hour supervision, including night monitors
- A dedicated Close Up Representative for your school
- Specialized access to Georgetown Medical Center
- Secondary medical and liability insurance

Registration and Payment information

You will receive an email from your Close Up representative with individual account login information to enroll online, make payments, and access program information at www.closeup.org

Once you receive your participant ID# and password, follow the directions below:

Step 1: Go to www.closeup.org

Step 2: Click on 'Login' and then on 'Individual Account'

Step 3: Enter your Close Up Participant ID and password (case sensitive)

Step 4: Follow the prompts to complete the enrollment information and make payments.

If you have questions about payments or registration, please call Close Up at 703-706-3416.

If you prefer to use a personal check or money order to make payments, please make it payable to Close Up Foundation and mail with a payment coupon printed from your account to:

**Close Up Foundation
1330 Braddock Place, Suite 400
Alexandria, VA 2231**

If you would like to find out if you are eligible to receive financial assistance, please contact Craig Hovey at c.hovey@hwschools.net, or 978-468-0393.

