

## Close Up

For more than 20 years the high schools of Katy ISD have participated in the Close Up: Washington, D.C. Program. This educational and inspiring trip is a Katy ISD tradition.

The Close Up Foundation is a non-profit foundation dedicated to giving students the experience of an intensive, on-location study of United States government. Because the curriculum objectives of the Close Up program are aligned with the Katy curriculum for U.S. History, U.S. Government, and Economics, juniors and seniors are allowed to travel to Washington for Close Up and not be considered absent from school. While students are not considered absent for attendance and exemption purposes, they are responsible for any make-up work they may have as a result of being out of class for a week. Students can earn up to one hour of college credit from the University of Virginia or Indiana University by attending Close Up and completing the individual university requirements. Close Up is the only provider of curriculum based travel approved by Katy ISD.

**What-** Learning opportunity in Washington, DC

**Who-** Juniors and Seniors

**Travel Dates-** January 17-22, 2010

**Cost-** \$1159. This is an all-inclusive price. (Exceptions: souvenirs, snacks, baggage fee) Donations made to the Close Up Foundation in a student's name can be used to help pay for the student's trip and are tax deductible for the donor. Parent and grandparent donations are not tax deductible per the IRS. Please speak to a tax professional if you have any questions.

**Parent Information Night-** September 29, 2009, 7 PM, Taylor High School PAC

**Campus Contacts:**

Cinco Ranch High School- Tony Marsh

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Mayde Creek High School - Amanda Gilleon

Morton Ranch High School- Sharon Cox

Seven Lakes High School- Jaime Wilson

Taylor High School- Trevor Enders

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