

WASHINGTON D.C.

4 Days | America's Capital Student Tour

BrightsparkSM



TOUR SNAPSHOT

This 4-day student trip to Washington will bring your class to a city brimming with history and excitement. From The Capitol, to the Smithsonian museums and Arlington National Cemetery, there's plenty to satisfy the inquiring minds and imaginations of your class. Inspired by iconic monuments and the heroes who shaped the nation, your students will return home with a backpack full of stories and knowledge to share at home and in the classroom.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:



Sites & Activities:

White House Area Orientation Tour, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Smithsonian Museums, Major League Baseball Game, Udvar-Hazy Air & Space Museum Annex, Fashion Centre at Pentagon City, Arlington National Cemetery, Union Station



Your Brightspark
Tour Leader



Accommodations
3 nights hotel



Transportation
Private motor coach



Meals
3 breakfasts





WHY BRIGHTSPARK?

PUTTING YOUR EXPERIENCE FIRST

- **Our Tour Leaders Make All The Difference:** They are experts in fun and are equipped with educational content and interactive games that keep your students engaged. Extensively trained and masters in logistics, they deal with all the details to ensure a stress-free class trip!
- **Always Something Fresh:** Brightspark Exclusive activities encourage participation through experiential education. Whether it's a Mystery Heist in Ottawa or Escaping the Port in Montréal, these activities add a WOW factor to your tour.
- **The Best Support:** Our team is with you every step of the way from itinerary planning to board paperwork, online payment collection and 24/7 on-tour assistance. We are dedicated to making the planning process simple and easy.
- **Go. Discover. Inspire:** You are not a tourist but a traveller; we will expose you and your students to the soul of the destination and ignite your sense of wonder.



EXPERTS IN STUDENT TRAVEL

We have 40+ years of travel experience, exceptional supplier relationships, and an impeccable safety record, you can rest assured your tour will be sparktacular!

95%
OF TEACHERS
LOVE OUR
TOURS

40+
YEARS OF
TRAVEL
EXPERIENCE

33K+
PASSENGERS
TRAVELLED
LAST YEAR



WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

THE BEST INSURANCE

Feel safe with the knowledge that your students are fully protected with cancellation insurance provided by Travel Guard, which includes school board cancellation for **ANY REASON.**



"Travelling to Washington DC was a very valuable experience for our students. We felt very safe throughout the trip and the museums and activities were very engaging."

Steven, DPCDSB

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DAY 1

- 8:00 a.m. **Board your washroom equipped, climate controlled highway motor coach and depart for Washington D.C.** En route, your Tour Leader will get to know the students on a first name basis.
- 10:00 a.m. **Border Crossing.** Make sure your passport and any other important documents are in a safe and accessible place for border agents.
- 8:30 p.m. **Hotel check-in**
- 9:30 p.m. **Meet the Streets.** Join your Tour Leader as you explore the city's points of interest to discover what makes it so unique.
- 11:00 p.m. **Night security** each evening between 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

DAY 2

- 8:45 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 10:30 a.m. **The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.** Both a memorial and museum, students can learn about the rise of Hitler's Germany and the horrors of World War II.
- 12:00 p.m. **White House Area Orientation Tour.** Join your Tour Leader on a tour of the most visited site in Washington.
- 1:00 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:45 p.m. **Explore the Smithsonian Museums.** The Smithsonian Institution is the world's largest museum complex and research organization with a total of seventeen museums. Visit the National Air and Space, National Museum of Natural History, the National Gallery of Art, Freer Gallery of Art, the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, African American History and Culture, and National Museum of the American Indian.
- 6:30 p.m. **Dinner**
- 7:00 p.m. **Major League Baseball game.** Peanuts, get your peanuts! Enjoy a major league baseball game with your students and hopefully you will see a home run! *Tickets are subject to schedules and availability of local teams.*

DAY 3

- 8:45 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 10:00 a.m. **Guided Tour at the Udvar-Hazy Air & Space Museum Annex.** Enjoy a guided tour of the Udvar-Hazy Air & Space Museum Annex, where students can walk among aircraft and small artifacts in display cases located on the floor. Among the aviation artifacts on display are the Lockheed SR-71 Blackbird, the fastest jet in the world and the Boeing Dash 80, the prototype of the 707.
- 11:00 a.m. **Lunch** and free time in the area.
- 12:45 p.m. **Fashion Centre.** Enjoy a world-class shopping experience where avenues of fashions and boulevards of style await. The sky-lit food court features both international and familiar specialties.

- 2:30 p.m. **Guided Walking Tour of Arlington National Cemetery.** Join a guided walking tour of Arlington National Cemetery. America's largest national burial ground has more than 200 acres of landscaped hills. Among the thousands of white headstones are the graves of President John Kennedy, Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, world champion boxer Joe Louis, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.
- 5:00 p.m. **Explore Union Station.** The gateway to the U.S. capital city is considered one of the finest examples of Beau-Arts architecture. Take this opportunity to explore the shops and boutiques.
- 5:30 p.m. **Dinner**
- 6:30 p.m. **Illuminated Coach Tour of Washington D.C.** Enjoy an evening tour conducted by a professional local guide.

DAY 4

- 7:45 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. **Check out of your hotel**
- 9:00 p.m. **Welcome Home!**

START PLANNING NOW!



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