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Washington DC – Student Discoveries Sample Itinerary (4 Night/5 Day)

Based on spring/early summer travel.

Day 1 – Fly to Washington, DC

Upon arrival in DC this afternoon you will be met by your Tour Director. Your guided tour features the JEFFERSON, LINCOLN, & VIETNAM MEMORIALS, as well as many other well-known sights. You'll also stop for photos at the White House and Capitol Hill. Later, check into your hotel and take a little bit of time to rest and freshen up before you mingle with your fellow travelers at your WELCOME PARTY & DINNER. (D)

Note: Itinerary is dependent on arrival by late morning

Day 2 – Washington DC

Today you will visit several of Washington DC's most famous sites of government. Start with a visit to the OLD POST OFFICE PAVILION, originally built in 1899 and the first government building to have its own electric power plant. Late morning visit THE SUPREME COURT BUILDING. Watch the VISITOR'S FILM, see one of the rotating EXHIBITIONS created by the Office of the Curator on the history of the Supreme Court, the Justices, and the work of the court, and attend a COURTROOM LECTURE (**subject to availability*). This afternoon take a guided tour of the U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING. Tours of the historic Capitol begin at the orientation theater with a 13-minute film, "Out of Many, One," which will take you on a journey through our country's struggle to establish the world's first truly representative democracy and introduce you to the magnificent building that houses our Congress. Once inside the historic Capitol, visitors will see the Crypt of the Capitol, the Rotunda, and National Statuary Hall. Tonight, dinner is included at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3 – Washington DC

Begin the day with a visit to THE PENTAGON. Virtually a city in itself, the Headquarters of the Department of Defense is one of the world's largest office buildings. Approximately 23,000 employees, both military and civilian, contribute to the planning and execution of the defense of our country. Next, head to the INTERNATIONAL SPY MUSEUM, home to the world's largest collection of espionage related artifacts. Next up is the SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION. Here you will have lunch and explore the world's largest museum complex: National Air & Space Museum, National Museum of Natural History, National Portrait Gallery, Smithsonian American Art Museum, National Museum of American History or National Museum of the American Indian. Tonight, dinner is included at a local restaurant. (B, L, D)

Day 4 – Washington DC.

This morning, visit one of the most exciting attractions in Washington DC, THE NEWSEUM, where five centuries of news history meets up-to-the-second technology. The Newseum's 14 major galleries and 15 theaters will immerse you in the world's greatest news stories - the people, the places and the times. Take part in an exciting challenge when you CHOOSE THE NEWS. Go behind the scenes to discover how newspaper editors decide what to put on their front pages. Learn how to define "news" and see how it may vary depending on the audience and the community. After learning the elements of a front page using current papers, work in teams to design your own front page in a race to make deadline. After lunch, visit the country's most important original documents at the NATIONAL ARCHIVES: the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States, and the Bill of Rights. Tonight, your final DC dinner is included at none other than a favorite local restaurant of the President! (B, D)

Note: Educational activity at the Newseum is an example. Activity chosen will be based on the group's age range.

Day 5 – Washington DC

Pay your respects to this nation's fallen heroes this morning when you visit ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY to see the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and witness the Changing of the Guard. Late this morning learn about the

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importance of Washington DC's role in the founding of our country at MOUNT VERNON. Tour the restored mansion, visit some of the outbuildings, see Washington's Tomb and more. Before departing, enjoy lunch along with a presentation that will inspire conversation and memories of this visit to the Nation's Capital. After your visit to Mount Vernon, a group transfer to the airport for your home bound flight is provided. (B, L)

Note: Schedule flights after 1:00pm.

Package pricing will vary based on size of group, selected inclusions, final hotel selection and time of year of travel. Provide our team with an idea of your budget and we will work with you to provide an excellent program at that budget.

ESTIMATED VALUE (based on minimum of 25 participants)

The following estimate is net costs; no comp travel packages or commission is included. We can add comp travel packages and commission if we do a formal quotation.

Priced from \$1686.00 USD per person sharing in quad rooms

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- **More Features:** *Visits to special attractions*
- **Meals:** *4 full breakfasts and 4 dinners*
- **Hotels:** *4 nights hotel accommodate in moderate first class or superior tourist class hotel centrally located in DC area.*
- **Airport Transfers:** *Group airport transfer included upon arrival and departure.*
- **Standard Amenities & Services:** *Professional Student Discoveries Tour Director throughout. Private transportation via air-conditioned deluxe motorcoach with professional driver.*
- **Gratuities for Tour Director and Driver**
- **Additional medical insurance coverage included**
- **Overnight Chaperones:** *Can be provided on request, at additional expense*

NOT INCLUDED

- **Airfare:** *Group air can be purchased through Student Discoveries or secured independently.*

Customize your itinerary by adding one or more of the following:

- Arlington Cemetery – wreath laying National Cathedral
- National Museum of Crime & Punishment
- Educational activity at the International Spy Museum
- or other additions such as a group photo or daily lunch

Extend your tour and add another historic destination:

New York, Gettysburg, Williamsburg, Philadelphia