

PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS

OAKRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Guidelines for participation in the Oakridge High School Close Up Washington

1 GOOD BEHAVIOR IN THE SCHOOL AND IN THE COMMUNITY

We want those who represent this school in Washington DC for Close Up to do so appropriately. In order to be considered for this trip you are to conduct yourself in an appropriate manner in the school and in the community, prior to being considered for this opportunity. This issue may serve as a critical component on final decision for who is selected to attend.

2 GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING

Do your best! The trip is not an Honor Roll excursion. If you are a C student, you should be striving for B's. If you normally get D's then try for C's. If you belong on the Honor Roll then we hope that you will remain there while a participant. Grades will be regularly monitored and if they are not adequate to standards expected for Close Up participation as determined by Mr. Wood, you may be disqualified from participating even if deposits have been paid.

3 REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL

You must attend school regularly to be successful in the classroom. Since you will be out of school for five days for this trip, it is important that you have a good attendance record at Oakridge. **The five days that you are in Washington will be considered School Related Excused absences and will not count against your absence total.** Furthermore no coach or advisor can punish you taking a school related trip. So if you want to go: GO!

4 OBEY ALL SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY RULES WHILE IN WASHINGTON

Your attitude and behavior is a direct reflection on our school and community while in Washington. Close Up has rules...if you violate those guidelines; they have and will send you home on the next flight at your expense. So, act the part.

5 CELL PHONES ON THE TRIP

Cell phones serve to bury the moment with inconsequential drama from another land. I do realize however, phones are also often your camera and music devices. Consequently you'll probably bring your phone; please don't let it take you away from the experience. And if you are with me, sitting down for a nice meal at a cool place in D.C., out on the sidewalk with the city buzzing around ...please put that thing away. I will carry a cell for organizational purposes. And students are free to use it at anytime to call home. Parents can also call Mr. Wood at any time. So you really don't need your phone. Just buy a camera and carry that - consider leaving the phone and the drama at home. But if you must; you may. Please, however, be mindful.

6 ACKNOWLEDGED REMOVAL FROM THE GROUP CAN RESULT FROM VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE ABOVE RULES

Failure to adhere to the above guidelines can result in dismissal from the trip at any stage of the process. That decision will be made by Mr. Wood. The decision is final. Student will be responsible for all non-refundable deposits and previously purchased tickets.

7 WASHINGTON D.C. is exciting. The city is beautiful in the Spring. And the program is absolutely first class. Add to it all of the extras that the Oakridge Program brings to the table and you are looking at a unique and life -hanging experience - Go with a GREAT attitude and with your eyes wide open and you will have a wonderful time!

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Parent or Guardian

Participant Signature

Date