# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

# **TUESDAY DAY**

Registration

**Executive and Legislative Branch Sessions** Workshops

Capitol Complex Tour



Key Note **Small Groups** 

# **WEDNESDAY**

Shadowing **Cultural Outing** Student Mock Legislature

# **THURSDAY**

**Court of Criminal Appeals Case Judiciary Branch Sessions** Banquet Dance

## **FRIDAY MORNING**

Media (The Fourth Branch) **Program Conclusion** 



Students In the Oklahoma Supreme Court Chambers

# **ADVISORY BOARD**

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Oklahoma Close Up is a non-profit organization modeled after the Washington, D.C. based program, Close Up. The need to focus on state government with an in-depth experiential program was recognized and Oklahoma Close Up was established. This program gives students, educators, and policymakers the opportunity to come together to enhance the understanding of Oklahoma state government





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# MORE ABOUT OKLAHOMA CLOSE UP

Oklahoma Close Up is an educational program designed to provide students an experiential learning program about Oklahoma state government. The program is open to all Oklahoma high school students and provides opportunities to discuss issues with some of the leading officials in state government. Program workshops give students a chance to explore their own ideas and share views with students from across the state.

In this day of great challenges, students will find that the issues discussed and the questions raised are not only personally interesting, but of great importance to the future of Oklahoma.

#### WHAT DO WE DO?

This unique learning experience includes a number of presentations, small learning groups as well as large group discussions, and a unique, one-on-one opportunity to shadow an Oklahoma office holder. Typical activities include:

- · Seminars with government officials
- Meetings with Legislators
- Tour the Capitol building
- · Discussions about current issues
- Spend a day with a Legislator
- Discussions with Legislators, judges, elected and appointed officials, media representatives, lobbyists and special interest groups, and the Governor, Lt. Governor and their staff

# WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

Have you ever wondered about Oklahoma's role in national and international issues? Well, this is your chance to have those questions answered by the people that make things happen.

During this fun-filled visit to Oklahoma City you will meet with students from across the state.

- Opportunities to meet with policy makers one-onone
- Exciting workgroups and breakout sessions let you explore the roles of the executive, legislative and judicial branches of state government and discuss controversial issues facing us today.
- Discussions, seminars, workshops and briefings examine differing points of view.



With Representative Scott Inman

 Great food and friendships with people from all over Oklahoma.



With Chancellor Glen Johnson

"I attended last year, but I want to go again to fully take advantage of the learning opportunity. I think my favorite part was either the mock legislature or the tour of the Capitol building. We met so many people who influence our lives, and we don't even know it. Look! I don't want to overdo it, but it was a great experience."

Program Participant



Visiting the Oklahoma City National Memorial

#### PROGRAM REGISTRATION FEES AND INFO

The Oklahoma Close Up program begins Tuesday, February 16, 2016, and concludes Friday, February 20, 2016.

# Registration Fees

\$50 per school, plus \$225 tuition per student provides the following:

4 days/3 nights room and board All programs and materials Program related transportation Medical and security personnel Full supervision

A great learning experience, a lot of fun – and a souvenir t-shirt!

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# Program tuition does NOT cover:

- Transportation to and from Oklahoma City
- Personal expenses souvenirs, snacks, etc.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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