We invite you and your students to embark on a virtual field trip to the United States capital. This four-day adventure takes you inside our most popular attractions. Mix and match activities or explore the entire city with your class. There is so much to see!
TOUR THE MONUMENTS & MEMORIALS
- Learn about the monuments and memorials with the National Park Service (NPS)
- Walk around the National Mall with the NPS app
- Explore the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument and more with 360-degree videos
  - ASSIGNMENT: Take the quiz

ENJOY FREE TIME AT SMITHSONIAN MUSEUMS

NATIONAL AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM
- Watch a video on the Wright Brothers and the invention of the airplane
- Explore the Wright Flyer in 3D
  - ASSIGNMENT: Play Engineering the Wright Way
- Choose a STEM in 3D video
  - ASSIGNMENT: Create a 3-slide presentation about what you learned
- Other resources to fly through

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY
- Smithsonian Science How webcast: Mass Extinction-Solving the Dinosaur Mystery
  - ASSIGNMENT: Complete the worksheet
- Other resources to dig into

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN HISTORY
- Online exhibit: The Star-Spangled Banner: The Flag that Inspired the National Anthem
  - ASSIGNMENT: Take the quiz on the War of 1812 and get a personalized certificate

NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY
- Digital workshop: Grid drawing video and lesson plan
- Virtual exhibit: America’s Presidents
  - ASSIGNMENT: Worksheet: 7 Ways to Look at a Portrait

SNEAK AROUND THE INTERNATIONAL SPY MUSEUM
- Watch “Spy From Home” episode 1
  - ASSIGNMENT: Crack a top secret code
- Spy on other lesson plans and activities
VISIT THE U.S. CAPITOL

- Step into the U.S. Capitol with a guided virtual tour
- Learn the fundamentals about Congress
  - Read "House of Representatives and Senate: What's the Difference?"
  - Visit the Visitor Center’s Emancipation Hall
  - ASSIGNMENT: Complete the U.S. Capitol activity guide
- Explore the National Statuary Hall State Statue Guide
  - ASSIGNMENT: Write 1-2 paragraphs about why a person from your state is commemorated
  - ASSIGNMENT: Design a statue

EXPLORE FORD’S THEATRE

- Join a virtual tour
- Get the facts about Lincoln’s Assassination
  - ASSIGNMENT: Narrative writing lesson

VIEW THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

- Hear about the only Leonardo Da Vinci painting in the Americas
  - ASSIGNMENT: Create a self-portrait and explain why it reflects you
- Sketch out lesson plans with more resources

DIG INTO THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

- View the Rotunda’s founding documents of America
- Read the Declaration of Independence transcription
- Learn about a Founding Father
  - ASSIGNMENT: Sign the Declaration of Independence

FRIGHT ON A GHOST TOUR

- Explore the most haunted places in DC
REMEMBER HISTORY AT THE U.S. HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

- Take a virtual tour
- Listen to an oral interview with a Holocaust survivor
- Watch the video “Early Warning Signs”
  - ASSIGNMENT: Worksheet and answer key

HONOR FALLEN SOLDIERS AT ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

- Understand cemetery history with the “Inside These Hallowed Grounds” video
- Watch the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
  - Go behind the scenes with the Old Guard Sentinels
- ASSIGNMENT:
  - Discover notable graves
  - Choose a notable person and write a paragraph on why they were given the honor of being buried at Arlington National Cemetery

LEARN ABOUT THE PRINTING PRESS AT THE MUSEUM OF THE BIBLE

- Watch “Lonesome Curator: Gutenberg 101”
- Review the Library of Congress Gutenberg Bible
  - ASSIGNMENT: Create your own letter decoration for the Gutenberg Bible

FEEL THE BEATS OF ‘BLACK BROADWAY’ AT BEN’S CHILI BOWL

- Watch a video on the history of the iconic restaurant and U Street, once known as ‘Black Broadway’
- Take an audio or self-guided neighborhood tour with Cultural Tourism DC
- Make your own half-smoke at home
- Listen the late Chuck Brown play Go-Go, the official music of Washington, DC
VISIT GEORGE WASHINGTON’S MOUNT VERNON
- Step inside the first president’s home on a virtual tour
- Explore with the estate’s Adventure Map
- Play “Be Washington” to test your skills as a leader
  - ASSIGNMENT: Play “Who Am I?” and record your score

EXPLORE THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MUSEUM
- Take a virtual tour of “Becoming Jane: The Evolution of Dr. Jane Goodall”
- Sign up for a LIVE Explorer Classroom
  - ASSIGNMENT: Grab your family and explore your yard with Backyard Bioblitz
- Create your own adventure through plentiful options for classroom resources

VISIT THE SMITHSONIAN NATIONAL ZOO
- Visit the National Zoo during a Highlights Tour
- Delight and take notes of animal behaviors on many animal webcams
  - ASSIGNMENT: Complete the animal activity packet

TAKE IN A SHOW AT THE KENNEDY CENTER
- Catch a digital stage performances on the Millennium Stage
- Take a Virtual Dance Class and show your classmates your skills
- Explore the theater’s Hall of Nations with the world’s impact on music