

Washington, D.C. High School Student Internship Program

In an effort to provide area high school students with an opportunity to meet their representative in Congress and to foster their interest in the political process, the Democratic Town Committees of the 32nd State Senate District invite students who will be juniors and seniors in Fall 2010 to participate in a Washington Internship Program from June 27-30, 2010. Students from towns in the 32nd State Senate District can apply for admission to the program. The Democratic Town Committees of each student's town will provide partial funding while the student contributes the remainder costs. Involvement with their Democratic town committees and/or Young Democrat organizations after they return will also be encouraged. Students will be selected for the trip on the basis of their applications, teacher recommendations, and their involvement in their communities.

While in Washington, D.C., the focus of our trip will be to visit the office of Fifth District Congressman Chris Murphy, and other prominent leaders in Connecticut and the national Democratic Party. Arrangements will be made to view Congressional sessions and tour the Capitol. Sightseeing will include the Monuments, the National Archive, The Library of Congress, and special points of interest.

Applications for this exciting opportunity will be available by calling Kathleen Sobolewski at 203-263-5136 or email at kathleensobolewski@yahoo.com. The deadline for applications is April 15. An interview of the potential candidates by the trip coordinators will be scheduled. The final selection of interns will be made by May 1.

Important Information:

- A maximum of 10 students will attend, with at least 2 chaperones.
- Each student will pay his/her own transportation costs, which include round trip train fare and Metrorail passes in DC. Arrangements for group travel will be made by the trip coordinator.
- Arrangements are presently being made for accommodations at a Washington D.C. university. Shared occupancy room charge is approximately \$55 per student per night.
- Student pays for food costs, incidental expenditures, and site-seeing admission costs, if necessary.
- The student's Democratic Town Committee may provide partial funding, with the remainder paid by the student.
- As an extension of the internship program, the students may be asked to participate in upcoming DTC events in their towns, such as rallies, campaign mailing and phone calling.