

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 2007 to participate in a Washington Internship Program from June 26-29, 2007. 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. A maximum of six students will be selected for the trip on the basis of their applications 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 Committee meetings and hearings. Sightseeing will include the Monuments, the National Archive, The Library of Congress, the U.S. Capitol and the U.S. House Gallery.

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 6, 2007. An interview of the potential candidates by the trip coordinators will be scheduled. The final selection of interns will be made by April 20.

Important Information:

- A maximum of 6 students will attend, with at least 2 chaperones
- Each student will pay his/her own airfare. Arrangements for group travel will be made by the trip coordinator.
- Arrangements are presently being made for accommodations at a Washington D.C. university. Estimated cost for a single room is \$60 per student per day.
- Once selections have been made, the Democratic Town Committee of the student's town will provide partial scholarship for the student, which would cover a portion of the university housing. The amount of the scholarship will be determined by each DTC. An estimate of the total cost of airfare and accommodations is \$600.
- As an extension of the internship program, the students will be asked to participate in upcoming DTC events in their towns, such as rallies, campaign mailing and phone calling, etc.

Student Application
Washington, D.C. Internship
June 26-29, 2007
Organized by 32nd State Senate District Area Democratic Town Committees

Student Name:

Address:.....

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Home phone: Mobile Phone:.....

Email:

School:.....

Age M/F

Mother's Name:

Address:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Father's Name:

Address:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Parent Signature/approval: _____

Student: Are you willing to continue a working relationship with your town's Democratic Town Committee during the upcoming year? Yes _____ No _____

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Directions: Please write an essay on one 8 ½ x 11" piece of paper. Font size may be no smaller than 12 point with one inch margins. Essay may be single or double spaced. In your essay, address the following questions:

- Tell why you are interested in this Washington Internship opportunity. What do you expect to learn? How would you benefit from the experience?

- Tell how you have demonstrated an interest in government through community service, policymaking experiences, leadership conferences, student government or other such means. Please explain your involvement.

DEADLINE IS APRIL 6TH

A subsequent personal interview of potential intern candidates will be requested.

Please mail the completed application and essay to:

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