Schedule

Evening of Sunday, July 11 to Friday, July 16, 2027

Sunday Evening, July 11: Ford's Theatre (6:00 – 9:00 p.m.)
- Welcome dinner and institute overview
- Review of natural and built environment of Washington during the Civil War
- Introduction to Reflective Practice: how reflection promotes learning

Monday, July 12: Ford's Theatre (9am - 6pm)
- Close-reading of Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address and introduction to Ford's Approach to Oratory
- A living memorial: Tour Ford's Theatre and Petersen House.
- Local Voices in the Wake of National Tragedy: Using primary sources to uncover life inside the Petersen House and reactions to the assassination.
- Historical and Theatrical Thinking: Watch performance of *One Destiny,* in the theatre.

Tuesday, July 13: The Frederick Douglass National Historic Site (9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)
- Explore Cedar Hill, Frederick Douglass' estate. Hear how the abolitionist, orator, writer, statesman and equal rights advocate spent the last seventeen years of his life. Get up close and personal with powerful items belonging to Mr. Douglass
- Look closely at the relationship between Douglass & Lincoln. Were they friends, enemies, or something in-between?
- Examine the experiences of Black soldiers in the U.S. military during the war.

Wednesday, July 14: Georgetown University and the Georgetown neighborhood (9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.)
- Walking Tour of historic Georgetown and Georgetown University; experience the Civil War at DC's doorstep, explore stories of soldiers, slavery and freedom on the banks of the Potomac River.
- Examine the divided loyalties to the U.S. Government and the Confederacy evidenced on the campus of Georgetown and in the immediate neighborhood.
- Conduct hands on primary source research in the GU Booth Center for Special Collections.

Thursday, July 15: President Lincoln's Cottage (9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.)
- Interactive tour of President Lincoln's Cottage
- Perspective-taking and leadership - Lincoln's Toughest Decisions: Debating Emancipation
- Reflection and facilitated dialogue on the Soldier's Home grounds
- Connecting the past and present in the social studies classroom

Friday, July 16: National Mall and Memorial Parks and Ford's Theatre (9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)
- How public spaces reflect our story - Guided walking tour of the National Mall
- School-year planning and final reflection