Get ready for a fun, meaningful and exciting trip to Washington, DC.

Throughout the weekend, we will give you the knowledge and tools to write an effective, persuasive and passionate speech on a topic of your choice to present when you visit the offices of your Senators and Representatives. Lobbying a Member of Congress is a unique experience that very few Americans take advantage of and one that can have a significant impact on the course of legislation: after meeting with our students, Members of Congress have chosen to co-sponsor, offer amendments to and vote for pieces of legislation that participants discussed. We expect to have similar stories to tell after you present your remarks this year. We’re excited for you to join us in Washington where you’ll discover your power to be an effective advocate and a Jewish voice for justice in the nation’s capital. And, of course, we’ll also make sure you have time to explore D.C. and to make new friends from across North America!

For more information about the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism, visit www.rac.org.
FRIDAY

6:10 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat and Welcome
Together we welcome Shabbat and introduce ourselves and the L’Taken program.

6:30 PM
Shabbat Dinner
A festive dinner and get-to-know-you mixer for students.

7:45 PM
Shabbat Services

9:00 PM
Opening Economic Justice Program
This interactive program educates students about the challenges facing low-income Americans. It includes a simulation illustrating how federal poverty alleviation programs operate and an overview of Jewish texts and values that inform the Reform Movement’s position on economic equality.

Chaperone Meeting
Chaperones gather for an overview of the weekend and important information for Saturday.

Returning Student Program
For students who have previously attended the L’Taken Seminar, a program that explores concepts of power, social justice and creating change.

9:25 PM
Optional: In-Depth Chaperone Meeting
First-time chaperones, or those who have not attended recently, will have the opportunity to ask additional questions and get a more in-depth look at the weekend.

10:50 PM
Free Time & Snacks

RAC Genius Bar
RAC staff will be available to answer chaperone questions, particularly about the Saturday morning KKP (Kesef, Koach, and Politika) program that will take place on Saturday morning.

11:00 PM
Meet with your congregation/group
Debrief with your congregation/group to discuss the evening program and the next day’s schedule.

11:30 PM
Lilah Tov –
All students in their own rooms
8:00 AM  
Boker Tov

8:30 AM  
Breakfast

9:00 AM  
Shabbat Services

10:45 AM  
Kesef, Koach, and Politika: A Lobbying Simulation (KKP)  
Explore how money and power influence politics. Students are broken up into interest groups and work to win the votes of three “senators” on a proposed bill.

12:15 PM  
Lunch

Free Time & Dinner in Georgetown

6:45 PM  
Havdallah Service at a National Monument (weather permitting)

8:30 PM  
Elective Program 1

Examples Include:
- Voting Rights: Let My People Vote!
- Gun Violence Prevention: Rifling Through Gun Legislation
- Immigration Reform: A Nation of Immigrants
- Reproductive Rights: The Meaning of “Choice”

Visit the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial and National Mall

Buses will first go to the MLK Jr. Memorial. Then, there will be drop-offs at the The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, National Museum of Natural History, and the National Air & Space Museum, all on the National Mall. Groups can spend the afternoon at the museum(s) of their choice.

9:30 PM  
Chaperone Meeting
Review Sunday and Monday logistics, including transportation and the lobbying process.

9:45 PM  
Free Time & Snack

10:30 PM  
Meet with your congregation/group

11:00 PM  
Lilah Tov – All students in their own rooms
### SUNDAY

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<td>Students will write their lobby speeches and then review them with a member of RAC legislative staff. The RAC staff will have printers to print copies of the students’ final remarks.</td>
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### Advocacy Prep – How to be an Effective Advocate
We’ll learn about the legislative process through skit, song, and game show!
MONDAY

7:35 AM  
Boker Tov

7:50 AM  
Breakfast

10:00 AM – 1:45 PM  
Meetings on Capitol Hill

2:00 PM  
Where Do We Go From Here? – Wrap up
Students will gather on Capitol Hill to reflect on lobby day and discuss how to build on the experience once back home.

2:30 PM  
L’hitraot!

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