




SOUTHSIDE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

2017 Washington Youth Tour

Sunday, June 11th – Thursday, June 15th

PURPOSE:

Each June, more than 1,500 young people from around the U.S. head to Washington, D.C. as part of the NRECA Youth Tour. Participants learn about the role that electric cooperatives play in a free enterprise system, especially as it relates to providing electric energy. Additionally, students are exposed to issues that affect Southside and other electric cooperatives at the federal, state and local levels.

Applicants will be competing for an all-expense paid trip to the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour, in Washington, D.C. to be held during the week of June 11 – 15, 2017. The packed agenda includes:

- Visiting Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., where Youth Tour participants will meet with members of Virginia's congressional delegation and potentially sit in on select committee hearings.
- Meeting with Virginia senators and touring the U.S. Capitol building.
- Participating in an all-states Youth Day rally and dance, a boat ride down the Potomac River, a Washington Nationals baseball game, sightseeing at iconic U.S. monuments, museums and much more!

ELIGIBILITY:

Any high school junior that lives and attends school (or homeschool) in the 18 counties serviced by Southside Electric Cooperative is eligible to apply for Youth Tour. Those counties include: Dinwiddie, Brunswick, Chesterfield, Sussex, Prince George, Nottoway, Lunenburg, Prince Edward, Mecklenburg, Pittsylvania, Appomattox, Bedford, Campbell, Charlotte, Amelia, Buckingham, Cumberland, and Powhatan.

DEADLINE:

All essays must be dropped off, e-mailed, or mailed to arrive at the Cooperative by 4:30pm on Friday, March 10, 2017.


APPLICATION PROCESS:

Each applicant will submit a written essay of no more than 500 words on the topic: "Why I would be a good candidate to represent Southside Electric Cooperative on the 2017 Youth Tour in Washington DC."

The applications and essays will be judged and finalists selected for an interview at the co-op's closest district office the weeks of March 20-24 or March 27-March 31. Eight students will be selected by the judges for an all-expense paid trip to the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour in Washington, DC.



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Please complete this application in its entirety and return no later than **5 p.m. March 10, 2017** to:

Public & Member Relations Department
Southside Electric Cooperative
P.O. Box 7
Crewe, VA 23930
Fax: 434-645-2506 E-mail: public.relations@sec.coop

Applications may be dropped off at any SEC office, faxed, emailed or postmarked by the deadline.

NAME: _____ AGE: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PHONE (H): _____ PHONE (M): _____

STUDENT E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PARENTS/GUARDIANS NAME: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL: _____

CURRENT GRADE IN SCHOOL: _____

DO YOU LIVE ON SEC LINES? YES _____ NO _____ **(This is not a requirement for eligibility)**

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: List scholastic activities that you have participated in, any special awards or honors you have received or offices you have held. _____

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: List other activities in which you are involved, such as church groups or community service organizations. _____

HOBBIES & SPECIAL INTERESTS: _____
