



# SOUTHSIDE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

## 2018 Washington Youth Tour

Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>

### **PURPOSE:**

Each June, more than 1,800 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-expenses paid trip to the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour, in Washington, D.C., to be held during the week of June 10 – 14, 2018. 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 Baltimore Orioles 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 9, 2018.


### **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 2018 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 19-23 or March 26-30. Eight students will be selected by the judges for an all-expenses paid trip to the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour in Washington, DC.



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[www.sec.coop/YouthTour](http://www.sec.coop/YouthTour)

Please complete this application in its entirety and return no later than **4:30 p.m. March 9, 2018** to:

Member & Public Relations Department  
Southside Electric Cooperative  
P.O. Box 7  
Crewe, VA 23930  
Fax: 434-645-2506 E-mail: [public.relations@sec.coop](mailto: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. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:** List other activities in which you are involved, such as church groups or community service organizations. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**HOBBIES & SPECIAL INTERESTS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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