

# Educational...



The idea came from President Lyndon B. Johnson who advocated for rural electrification and youth development. In 1957, when he was still a U.S. senator, Johnson suggested "sending youngsters to the nation's capital where they can actually see what the flag stands for and represents."

This notion evolved into a nationwide effort to send youth on an organized, fun and educational trip in the 1960s. Now, over 50 years later, electric cooperatives from across the country send over 1,800 youth to the nation's capitol every summer.

... and fun!



# About My Trip

"Youth Tour is a fabulous opportunity and a once in a lifetime experience. I cannot express how thankful I am for this chance to discover so much about our nation's capitol."

"This Youth Tour opened big doors for small town kids."

"Youth Tour was an unforgettable experience that has changed my life. I met incredible people and had an incredible time."



"Fantastic!"

"Because of the generosity of my co-op, I was able to see my country in a new light with people I normally never would have met. I am proud for what my co-op stands for and proud to be an American."

"I explored my interests, toured the national capitol and met some of the most interesting students throughout the country."

"It can be tough to be with a group of kids you've never met before, but life begins when you step outside your comfort zone and where else is better to start your life than this beautiful nation's capitol ... and it was free!"

"Amazing sights, brilliant people and hands-on history. What could be better? Thank you for everything!"

"My feet hurt but my mind was full."

Presenting

The 2019  
Electric Cooperative

Youth Tour



Applications accepted  
through December for the  
June 13-20, 2019 program



# HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS

## You Could Spend a Week in Washington D.C., All Expenses Paid

If you're a high school junior or senior whose family gets its power from an electric cooperative, if you're smart or have big dreams of seeing the country, if you like history or want to shake hands with your congressman, if you've never flown in a plane but want to travel, if you want to meet new people from Colorado and across the country, then the Washington, D.C. Youth Tour is for you.

Candidates compete for a spot in the Washington, D.C. Youth Tour, a week-long all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., sponsored by the electric cooperatives and organized by the Colorado Rural Electric Association, the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association and the Colorado Electric Educational Institute.

Here's a look at your Youth Tour schedule:\*

### Day 1

- Meet in Denver to start our week together
- Tour a co-op and learn about electricity
- Tour the Colorado State Capitol
- Have dinner with a state legislator



Colorado State Capitol

### Day 2

- Fly to Washington, D.C.
- Tour Mt. Vernon
- Learn about cooperatives



Mt. Vernon

### Day 3

- Visit Fort McHenry
- Tour the Iwo Jima Memorial
- Visit the 9/11 Memorial



Fort McHenry

### Day 4

- Thank those who fought for our freedom
- Tour the Air Force Memorial
- Tour the Vietnam, Korean and Lincoln Memorials
- Visit the Holocaust Museum
- Visit Arlington National Cemetery
- Enjoy a play



Lincoln Memorial



Arlington National Cemetery

### Day 5

- Attend Youth Day with over 1,800 students from across the country
- Tour the Martin Luther King, Jefferson and FDR Memorials
- Visit Ford's Theater



Jefferson Memorial

### Day 6

- Visit the Library of Congress
- See the Declaration of Independence
- See the Constitution
- Visit your choice of Smithsonian museums
- See the Navy Memorial



National Air and Space Museum

### Day 7

- Visit with U.S. Senators and Representatives
- Tour the U.S. Capitol
- Attend a dinner, dance, and career fair with students from across the country



United States Capitol

### Day 8

- Say goodbye to Washington, D.C. and your new friends, say hello to life-long memories

\*Schedule is tentative

## HOW TO APPLY

Contact your local electric cooperative to learn more about how to apply for the 2019 Washington, D.C. Youth Tour trip.

This scholarship is valued at over \$2,500.

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