

# Indiana's Electric Cooperative Youth Tour to Washington, D.C.



## PURPOSE:

The Rural Electric Youth Tour to Washington, D.C. is taken each year to provide young adults with the opportunity to travel to our nation's capital:

- to experience first hand how our government functions,
- to learn about the complexities of today's electric utility industry,
- to discover the unique characteristics of cooperative business enterprise,
- to meet and work with hundreds of their peers from throughout the United States

## TRAVEL DATES & COSTS:

The Youth Tour delegation will meet in Indianapolis on Wednesday, **June 13, 2012**. We will return to the headquarters of the Indiana Statewide Association of RECs, Inc. on Thursday, **June 21, 2012**.

All travel expenses to and from Indianapolis to Washington, D.C., meals, lodging and scheduled event fees will be borne by the sponsors of the Youth Tour.\* Travel to and from Indianapolis and a student's home and incidental expenses incurred by the student will not be covered.

## ELIGIBILITY:

To be eligible for the Rural Electric Youth Tour to Washington, the following provisions will govern the acceptance of applicants from the local cooperatives:

- Applicants must have completed their junior year in high school, and be enrolled for their senior year. Home schooled students are eligible to apply.
- Indiana Youth Tour to Washington, DC requires a great deal of physical fitness and stamina, and may not be designed for children who need significant assistance for personal care, require constant one-on-one support, or have great difficulty managing their behavior in group settings. If your child has a special health care need, contact your electric co-op for an evaluation of the traveler's care needs. A thorough evaluation will be made by Indiana Statewide Assn. Youth Tour staff. ***Health conditions requiring advance clearance include, but are not limited to: Insulin Dependent Diabetes, Cardiac Situations, Asthmatics, Seizure Disorders, mental illness, Autism Spectrum & Serious Food Allergies.***

## JUDGING:

Judging and selection of applicants is the responsibility of Bartholomew County REMC.

\*Failure to provide Indiana Statewide Association with a **minimum of 45 days** cancellation notice could result in a participant's parents or guardians being billed for all or a portion of the trip's expenses.



**Applications are due at Bartholomew County REMC no later than February 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**School Participation** (list activities participated in during your high school attendance such as class officer, plays, athletics, music, clubs, etc.):

<u>Year</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Description</u>

**Extracurricular Activities** (list non-school activities in which you have participated as a leader):

<u>Year(s)</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Offices Held</u>

**Additional Information** (list additional information which demonstrates your leadership abilities and academic achievements):

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**I, hereby, ensure that the information provided above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Student signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

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**I have read and understand the above statement and assure trip administrators that my son/daughter meets the health requirements as noted and is eligible to participate in Youth Tour to Washington, DC, if selected.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

**Tape/paste  
student headshot  
here  
or e-mail picture to  
mlasure@bcremc.com**

## **Essay Question**

Bartholomew County REMC takes an active role in our community. Please write and attach a short essay (200-250 words) on **“Why do you think it’s important for companies and individuals to be involved in their community?”**