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2018 GOVERNMENT-IN-ACTION YOUTH TOUR APPLICATION

Sponsored by Victoria Electric Cooperative

Victoria Electric Cooperative annually sponsors the Government-in-Action Youth Tour, a weeklong, all-expense-paid trip in June to Washington, D.C., coordinated by Texas Electric Cooperatives and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. This year's winners will join about 125 of their peers from across the state and more than 1,700 from around the country for a tour of the nation's capital, meetings with congressional representatives and educational opportunities.

Applicant Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian Name(s): _____

Victoria Electric Cooperative Account Number: _____

Home Phone: _____

Applicant's Cellphone: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Cellphone: _____

Address: _____

Applicant's Email: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Email: _____

School: _____

Grade: _____

Are you available to travel June 6-15, 2018? _____

Are you a U.S. citizen? _____

Do you have government-issued identification? _____

Honors/Awards:

Hobbies:

Employment (organizations, years, positions):

Extracurricular Activities (organizations, years, positions) (please attach another sheet if needed):

Community Involvement (organizations, years, positions) (please attach another sheet if needed):

Please submit a high-resolution photo in headshot/portrait format. The photo will be publicized in winner announcements and holds no bearing in the application process. Your submission of this photo constitutes your and your parent(s)/guardian(s) permission to use the photo in announcements or other promotional materials.

Essay Topic:

What is the greatest energy issue facing your generation, and how can youths be a part of the solution?

How did you hear about Youth Tour? _____

Applicant Signature and Date

I certify that I have read and understand all of the information in the application and that my answers are true to the best of my knowledge.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature and Date

I/We hereby give _____ permission to submit his/her name as an applicant to be considered for sponsorship by Victoria EC on the 2018 Government-in-Action Youth Tour. I also certify that I have read and understand all of the information in the application.

Application Instructions

Submit the application via email to bmarsh@victoriaelectric.coop or mail/drop off at our office at 5502 US Hwy. 59 N. Victoria, TX 77905 by January 31, 2018.

Questions?

Contact Brittany Marsh at Victoria EC at bmarsh@victoriaelectric.coop or 361-573-2428.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND CONTEST RULES

Eligibility Requirements

A contestant must:

- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Have completed ninth grade in high school by June 2018.
- Have parent(s)/guardian(s) who are members of Victoria EC and receive co-op service at their.
- Youth Tour contest winners who went on a previous trip are not eligible. Immediate family of co-op directors or employees are eligible.

Essay Topic

What is the greatest energy issue facing your generation, and how can youths be a part of the solution?

Essay Format

- Essays must be typed, double-spaced, in 12-point font and single-sided on plain white, 8½-by-11-inch paper with 1-inch margins on all sides.
- Essays should be 500 words long.
- Essays must include a bibliography that contains all sources.
- Do not include your name on any portion of the essay.
- Essays will be judged on content, grammar, originality and creativity.

Letter of Reference

- One letter of reference must be submitted with the application.

Organizations/Volunteer Work

- Include a one page list of groups, organizations and or volunteer work that you have done if there is not enough room on the application.

Application Submission

- Submit applications via email at bmarsh@victoriaelectric.coop or mail 5502 US Hwy. 59 N. Victoria, TX 77905.
- Entries must be submitted by January 31, 2018.

Finalist Selection

- The top two contestants will be declared winners of the Youth Tour. They will be notified via email/mail.
- Two alternates will be chosen to attend in the event that one or more of the winners cannot attend the trip. They will be notified by mail.

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