10 REASONS TO APPLY FOR YOUTH TOUR

Would you rather stay home for the summer or have the adventure of a lifetime? That adventure is waiting for you with a 6-day trip to the nation's capital, Washington, D.C. While on the Youth Tour you’ll explore new places, meet new people, grow in new ways and learn more about your nation. Need more convincing? Here are 10 reasons to apply for Youth Tour.

1. **It’s free!**
   Your electric cooperative pays all of the expenses, so all you have to do is explore, learn, grow and have fun!

2. **IT’S FUN!**
   You’ll explore many attractions, including museums, monuments and memorials.

3. **Meet new people.**
   Bond with fellow students, both local and national, to create lasting friendships.

4. **Broaden your horizons.**
   You’ll learn beyond the fence posts of your community. Leave your everyday routine behind for six days while you travel to a different part of the county! You’ll be able to experience for yourself landmarks you learned about in school.

5. **Get your voice heard.**
   You’ll spend a day on Capitol Hill and meet with your elected officials. You’ll get to discuss what’s important to you and your community with them.

6. **Build on your resume.**
   When you apply for college or a job, Youth Tour can help you stand out. The trip provides experiences that can shape your college application, essays and career path.

7. **Grow your knowledge.**
   You’ll learn about electric cooperatives, where they started and where they are today. You’ll also learn more about America’s history and the U.S. government, which will help you become an active participant in our democracy.

8. **Gain leadership experience.**
   Any Youth Tour participant can apply to be on the national Youth Leadership Council. One student is selected from each state to return to D.C. in July for a leadership workshop.

9. **Learn the backstory.**
   You’ll learn about electric cooperatives, where they started and where they are today. You’ll also learn more about America’s history and the U.S. government, which will help you become an active participant in our democracy.

10. **You connect with opportunity.**
    You get to plug-in to the electric co-op community! From there you are in a great position to learn about scholarships, internships and jobs offered through your network.

Find your Minnesota Electric Co-op online and learn how to apply.

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