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WIN A WEEK-LONG TRIP

to YOUTH TOUR

WASHINGTON, D.C.

OUR NATION'S CAPITAL

JUNE 14-20, 2019



to Rural Electric Cooperative:

I would like to qualify for the 2019 Oklahoma Youth Tour. I am a high school junior and understand the material I submit in this contest becomes the property of the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives for use at its discretion. I agree to abide by the rules of the contest and the judges.



ENTRY FORM

STUDENT NAME:

STUDENT CELL PHONE:

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME:

HOME MAILING ADDRESS:

PARENT/GUARDIAN PHONE:

CITY, STATE, ZIP:

PARENT/GUARDIAN PHONE 2:

HIGH SCHOOL:

PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL:

Rules for Rural Electric Cooperative's 2019 Youth Tour

How to enter:

1. Complete the entry form and essay.
2. Write an original speech of 600 to 800 words on the topic below.
3. Speeches must be typed and double-spaced on 8 ½" x 11" paper.
4. No name should appear on the manuscript, but must be included on the cover sheet along with school name, teacher's name and contact information.
5. Contest papers must be turned in to your teacher by Monday, December 10, 2018.

Essay topic:

“Are electric vehicles a viable option for rural Oklahoma and why?”

Judging: A panel of judges knowledgeable about electric cooperatives will evaluate and rank the essays. The top six essays will be finalists this year's contest. Criteria for judging will be as follows:

Knowledge of subject – 40%	Includes a demonstrated understanding of material, relevance of information, direct understanding of subject
Strength of ideas – 25%	Includes recognizable point being made, solid support of your view
Style – 20%	Includes originality of approach, appealing presentation
Writing usage/grammar – 15%	Includes correct use of words, punctuation, spelling and sentence structure.

Final judging: Students who write the six highest scoring essays will be invited to give a speech of their essays at a banquet honoring REC's youth program winners. Judges will determine the winners of the all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. at that time.

Prizes: The top three finalists will be awarded expense paid trips to Washington D.C. for National Youth Tour Week, June 14 - 20, 2019. The three remaining finalists will be runners-up and will be awarded expense paid trips to Steamboat Springs, Colorado for Cooperative Youth Leadership Camp, July 12 - 18, 2019.

Note: *Should any of the top three finalists be unable to attend Youth Tour, a runner-up (in the order of scoring) will then receive the trip. Also, family members (as defined in REC's Bylaws and Policies) of REC Trustees and Employees are not eligible to participate in the Youth Tour competition.*

Questions concerning the speech, or the trips should be directed to the Member Services and Marketing Department of Rural Electric Cooperative in Lindsay at 405-756-3104 ext. 238.

Visit REC's website www.recok.coop for resource materials.