



## 2012 Washington, D.C. Youth Tour Contest Rules

Two juniors from IEC's service area will receive an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. as winners of the Youth Tour Contest.

1. Students must currently be classified as high school juniors attending a school in IEC's service area. It is not necessary that the student's parents be members of Indian Electric Cooperative, Inc.
2. Contestants will be required to write and present an essay of 500 - 1000 words in length **OR** create and present a 3-5 minute DVD video on the topic: "Electric Cooperatives". **The entry must include an explanation of an electric cooperative.**
3. Essays must be typed and double spaced on only one side of the paper. Each page should be numbered in the top right corner and include site references.
4. DVD video entries must submit 4 DVD copies of the video. Submit source reference in writing.
5. Attach a completed entry form to your essay or DVD envelope. **DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON THE ESSAY or the DVD.** All judging is done on an anonymous basis.
6. IEC supplies complete contest rules, entry forms and reference materials, including the IEC History, on our website, [www.iecok.com](http://www.iecok.com) (click on Community Service, Youth Programs, Washington D.C. Youth Tour). Students are encouraged to seek other sources of information, including libraries, relatives, magazines, Internet, etc.
7. Entries will be judged on the basis of (1) knowledge of subject - 40%; (2) originality - 30%; (3) composition - 15%; (4) grammar, Spelling & Punctuation - 15%.
8. Deadline for all entries is **Noon on Thursday, February 9, 2012.** Be sure to keep a copy of your entry for your use should you be selected as a finalist.
9. Four finalists will be selected to give oral presentations of their entries during the Youth Tour banquet in the spring. Judges will award the Washington D.C. trip to the two highest scoring finalists following the oral presentations. Runners-Up win a trip to Cooperative Youth Leadership Camp near Steamboat Springs, Colorado.
10. Decisions of the judges are final.
11. **Children of IEC employees and IEC Trustees are NOT eligible to participate in the Youth Tour competition.**

Dates for the 2012 Youth Tour are June 15-21, 2012.

Dates for the 2012 Cooperative Youth Leadership Camp are July 14-20, 2012.

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