



## **2020 YOUTH POWER ENERGY CAMP Essay Contest Rules**

### **Teachers receive financial recognition for contest winners who attend Energy Camp.**

Two teams of two eighth graders each from IEC's service area will receive an all-expenses paid trip, including roundtrip transportation, to Youth Power Energy Camp as winners of the Youth Power Energy Camp Contest.

1. A team of two students or an individual student must currently be classified as eighth grade students attending a school in IEC's service area. Home Schooled eighth grade equivalents must reside in the IEC's service area. It is not necessary for the parents/guardians of the students to be members of Indian Electric Cooperative, Inc.
2. The writing team or individual will be required to write an essay of at least 300 words in length, on the topic: **"What is an Electric Cooperative? The Mission, the Members and More."**
3. Essays are to be typed, double-spaced and one-sided. Each page should be numbered in the top right corner.
4. Attach a completed entry form **for each team member** to the essay. **DO NOT PUT YOUR NAMES ON THE ESSAY.** All judging is done on an anonymous basis.
5. IEC supplies entry forms, complete contest rules, and reference materials, including the IEC History, are on our website, [www.iecok.com](http://www.iecok.com), click on Energy Camp. Students are encouraged to seek other sources of information on the Internet.
6. Essays will be judged on the basis of (1) knowledge of subject, 40%; (2) originality, 30%; (3) composition, 15%; (4) grammar, spelling & punctuation, 15%.
7. Deadline for all essays will be **Noon on Monday, January 6, 2020.**
8. Decisions of the judges are final. Winners will attend the IEC Youth Tour Banquet with their parents and teacher in February to receive the award and experience the high school junior Youth Tour to DC speech contest.
9. **Children of IEC employees and IEC Trustees are NOT eligible to participate in the Youth Power Energy Camp competition.**

Travel Dates for Youth Power Energy Camp are May 26- May 29, 2020.

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