



A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

Tideland EMC

Real People. Real Power.



YOUTH TOUR APPLICATION

DATE: _____

Please complete and return as directed by your electric cooperative.

NAME: _____
First Middle Last

ADDRESS:
Mailing _____
Street, Route, & P.O. Box City State Zip

Physical Address: _____
Street City State Zip

County: _____ Congressional District: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: Home () _____ Cell () _____

NAMES OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS: _____

Are parents/guardians members, employees, directors of an electric cooperative? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, name of cooperative: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Age: ____ Grade: ____ Gender: M ____ F ____

HIGH SCHOOL: _____

Academic honors and recognitions: _____

School activities:

Talents, interests, hobbies:

Choose one of the topics below and write an essay of no more than 500 words. Your essay must be typed.

1. If you were challenged to reduce the electric bill in your home and school what types of strategies would you use? Include ways in which you would convince others to get involved in your efforts (i.e. brothers, sisters, mom, dad, teachers, students, maintenance personnel).

2. A big investor has come to your community. He is interested in relocating his corporate headquarters to your town which will bring 500 new jobs to the area. After meeting with county officials, real estate agents, contractors and many civic leaders, he has decided that he wants to hear from the area's young people. Therefore, write a brief letter to 'Mr. Jones' telling him your own thoughts about why your community needs his business and why his business needs your town.

3. Living in a mostly rural area, what advantages have you had that urban teenagers probably miss out on? What are some of the disadvantages of being raised in a rural setting? After finishing your education would you consider moving to a rural area to live, work and raise a family? Why or why not?

4. A cooperative is a not for profit business organization owned and operated by a group of individuals for their mutual benefit. Co-ops are democratically controlled by members voluntarily united to meet a common economic, social and/or cultural need such as the need for electric or telephone service in rural areas. Other examples include food, housing and childcare co-ops. Identify a need in your community or school that would lend itself to the formation of a cooperative. Why do you think the need is not currently being met? Why is the need important to your community? Explain how you would go about attracting members to join your cooperative. In other words, sell us on your proposed cooperative.

Return completed application along with essay to:

Heidi Smith

Tideland EMC Youth Tour

PO Box 159

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Deadline to apply: February 10, 2012

Questions? Call Heidi Smith at 252.944.2410

YOUTH TOUR DATES 2012: June 16-22

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