Houston County Electric Cooperative, Inc. Announces Its

2024 Government-in-Action Youth Tour

The Board of Directors of Houston County Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("HCEC") in conjunction with Texas Electric Cooperative (TEC), and National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) will sponsor two deserving students for the 59th Annual Government-in-Action Youth Tour. The tour will take place from Sunday, June 16th through Sunday, June 23rd, 2024. The chaperoned, all-expense-paid trip will cover airfare, transportation, hotel rooms, food, and the cost of the various sightseeing outings.

Delegates will travel to Washington, D.C. and join more than 1,900 high school participants from across the nation. They will have the opportunity to meet with their elected Texas representatives as well as visiting historically significant national sites, touring some of Washington, D.C.'s most moving memorials, and browsing the campus of our nation's capital.

Requirements

- Candidate's parents or guardians must be active HCEC members and maintain a permanent residence currently using HCEC's electrical lines.
- Candidate must be a high school student enrolled as a sophomore, junior or senior in the 2023-2024 school year and 16 years old with a state issued driver license or ID.
- Candidate must submit an application and a 500-word typed essay.

This year's essay topic should address: "How are you a leader in your community?"

An independent panel will judge the application and essay, and the top candidates will be interviewed. Candidates will be notified of the date and time of their interview, which will be conducted at the HCEC office.

Applications are available from your local high school counselor, U.S. History teacher, Government teacher, and online at <u>www.houstoncountyelec.com/YT</u>.

HOUSTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE. INC

Government-in-Action Youth Tour

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Please complete the application and attach your essay. DO NOT put your name on the essay.

Student Information

Name			
City	State	Zip Code	
Phone Number	Home Pho	Home Phone Number	
Email Address:			
	Grade Level		
High School			
Address of High	School		
		Zip Code	
School Sponsor-	Teacher-Counselor		
Phone Number f	for school sponsor		
Parent's Name:			
Houston County	Electric Cooperative's Accou	unt Number	
Billing Address_			
		Zip Code	
Application Du	<mark>e: </mark> February 9 th , 2024.		

Signature of Student

Signature of Parent-Guardian-Member

Please review and carefully answer the questions below. Please write legibly. **Attach your typed essay** to the application, enclose in an envelope and mail or deliver to Houston County Electric Cooperative at:

Houston County Electric Coop. Inc. Attention: Youth Tour P.O. Box 52 1701 East Loop 304 Crockett, TX 75835

1. List any organizations and activities you are involved in as well as any offices held.

2. List any awards you have received.

3. Please list any information you care to present concerning yourself, your scholastic achievements or your extracurricular activities.

4. Please tell us about your educational plans.

5. Please tell us why you think you should be considered for this Government-in-Action tour.