WASHINGTON YOUTH TOUR



Attention High School Sophomores and Juniors Win a Trip to Washington D.C.

Codington-Clark Electric Co-op will once again sponsor an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. for a high school sophomore or junior. Each June, over 1,800 high school students travel to Washington, D.C., to participate in the Rural Electric Youth Tour. During the week, they learn about Washington, D.C., government, cooperative philosophy and rural electrification. The students are selected and sponsored by their local rural electric cooperatives. The South Dakota Rural Electric Association (SDREA) coordinates arrangements for the South Dakota students.

Some of the sites that toured are the Lincoln Memorial, National Cathedral, The White House, Air and Space Museum, Washington Monument, U.S. Capitol, Ford's Theatre, The Kennedy Center, the Metro, Arlington National Cemetery, Mount Vernon, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, The Smithsonian, Iwo Jima Statue, National Archives, U.S. Supreme Court, and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Students will participate in a breakfast briefing with the South Dakota Congressional Delegation.

Who is Eligible? All area high school sophomores and juniors whose parents or guardians are members of Codington-Clark Electric.

What Does It Cost? Codington-Clark Electric, along with the other local electric cooperatives that participate in the weeklong event, funds the tour. The funding for the tour provides for each participant's transportation, room and board, entertainment, and sightseeing events. Students are required to provide their spending money (snacks and souvenirs).

When is it Held? The weeklong trip will be held on June 15-21, 2024. Participants will meet for an orientation meeting on Saturday, June 15 in Sioux Falls. Then, the group will fly to D.C. on Sunday, June 16, and return to South Dakota on Friday, June 21. A commercial bus will be used for transportation while in D.C.

How do I Qualify? Complete the Rural Electric Youth Tour to Washington, D.C., application form available at the schools or Codington-Clark Electric's website, www. ccelectric.coop. Submit the completed application to Codington-Clark Electric before the December 31, 2023, deadline.

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