

Attention High School Sophomores and Juniors

Win a Trip to Washington, D.C.

Codington-Clark Electric will once again sponsor a high school sophomore or junior on an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. Each June, more than 1,500 high school students from 44 states travel to Washington, D.C., to participate in the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour.

Throughout the week, participants will explore Washington, D.C., learning about government, cooperative principles and rural electrification. The students are selected and sponsored by their local rural electric cooperatives with the South Dakota Rural Electric Association (SDREA) coordinating the trip for South Dakota students.

Tour highlights include the Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, U.S. Capitol, Ford's Theatre, Arlington National Cemetery, Mount Vernon, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Iwo Jima Statue, National Archives, U.S Supreme Court, and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial among other exciting sites. Students will also participate in a briefing with South Dakota's congressional delegation.

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

What Does It Cost? Codington-Clark Electric, along with the other participating local electric cooperatives, fully fund the tour. The tour covers each participant's transportation, accommodations, meals, entertainment, and sightseeing events. Students should bring their own spending money for snacks, souvenirs and other personal expenses.

When is it Held? The weeklong trip will take place from June 17-23, 2027. Participants will meet for an orientation meeting on Thursday, June 17 at the Sioux Valley Energy Office in Brandon, S.D. and then bus to Minneapolis. The next morning the group will fly to D.C., explore the nation's capital for five days, and then return to South Dakota on Wednesday, June 23. 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 November 2, 2026, deadline.

For more information, contact: Codington-Clark Electric at 605-886-5848.



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YOUTH TOUR

Join students from across South Dakota for a free, once-in-a-lifetime trip to Washington, D.C., sponsored by your electric cooperative.

Contact your electric cooperative for more details and application information!