

Application Form

Adams Electric Cooperative & Adams Telephone Co-Operative's 2012 Youth to Washington Contest

Youth Day & Youth To Washington Contest Information & Guidelines:

The Youth to Washington Contest is open to all area high school sophomores and juniors (members and non-members).

Up to 32 finalists will be selected to participate in Youth Day on March 28 in Springfield based on their applications. During Youth Day, students will tour the Illinois Capitol, visit the Abraham Lincoln Museum and meet students from across Illinois.

At the end of Youth Day, students will participate in brief interviews. Immediately following the interviews, Youth to Washington winners will be announced. Two winners and an alternate will be selected to represent Adams Electric Cooperative and two winners and an alternate will be selected to represent Adams Telephone Co-Operative. Winners will travel to Washington, D.C. by charter bus on June 15-22 for an all-expense paid tour of Washington, D.C.

While on tour, winners will visit the Civil War Battlefield at Gettysburg, the National Cathedral, Smithsonian Museums, Vietnam Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, FDR Memorial, George Washington's home and grounds, Supreme Court, Kennedy Center, Arlington Cemetery, the Holocaust Museum, among numerous other sites. Students will also enjoy a special twilight Potomac River Boat Cruise.*

During the tour, students will take part in a Chip-N-Pop Co-op and learn how cooperatives operate. They will also find out why being a member is so important.

Lasting memories will be created with friends from across the United States.

Adams Electric Cooperative has been sending students to Washington since 1959. In 2004, Adams Telephone Co-Operative joined the program, doubling the number of local winners. Don't miss your chance to participate!

*Some sites vary year to year.

This application should be completed and returned to either Adams Electric Cooperative or Adams Telephone Co-Operative by Friday, February 24. Applications postmarked after February 24 will not be considered.

Contact information:



**Adams Electric
Cooperative**

Your Touchstone Energy Cooperative



ADAMS
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Name: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

High School: _____ **Grade:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Age:** _____

Using additional paper, please provide the following information:

Personal Achievement (Non-School Activities)

Please provide information regarding your participation in non-school related activities, such as community, religious, or other non-school related organizations. Include the organization, number of years and accomplishments/remarks.

Personal Achievement (School Activities)

Please provide information regarding your participation in school-related activities. Include the organization, number of years and accomplishments/remarks.

Special Awards or Recognitions Received

Please provide any other information you feel is useful regarding special awards, recognitions or accomplishments.

Future Education Goals

Please provide your future education goals.

Short Answer Section:

What do you hope to learn most about our governmental process and why?

What is the difference between a cooperative and a company?

Please explain why you feel you should be chosen to represent your cooperative on the Washington, D.C. tour.

If selected to represent Adams Electric Cooperative or Adams Telephone Co-Operative on the Youth to Washington Tour, how would you encourage participation in the Youth Tour program at your high school?

By completing and submitting this application, I verify my eligibility to attend Youth Day in Springfield. If chosen as a Youth Day participant, I commit to the trip to Springfield. I also understand that if I should be selected as one of the winners of this contest, I would take the all-expense paid tour of Washington, D.C.

Student's Signature

Social Security Number

I hereby give my consent for _____ to participate in the "Youth to Washington" contest and take the all-expense paid tour* to Washington, D.C. if selected as a winner.

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Relationship

* The entire tour will be properly chaperoned. Additional information regarding this program may be obtained from Laura Dotson at Adams Electric Cooperative or Bridgette Northern at Adams Telephone Co-Operative.