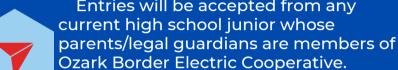


WHAT IS IT?

Ozark Border Electric Cooperative is sponsoring two high school juniors for the 2024 NRECA Youth Tour, a week-long, allexpense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., scheduled for June 14-20. The students will join over 100 peers from Missouri and 1800 students nationwide, exploring the capital's historic landmarks and engaging in educational activities. This initiative reflects the cooperative's commitment to investing in the younger generation's education and development, providing a unique and enriching experience for the selected students.

Mail Applications to:

Ozark Border Electric Cooperative Youth Tour PO Box 400 Poplar Bluff, MO 63902



(except children, grandchildren, brothers or sisters of OBEC employees or directors)



Each participant will need to complete an application and is required to write a 500-1000 word typed essay on the topic:

"The necessity of electricity is most felt in its absence. Describe a day without electricity."



Submission deadline will be March 15. 2024. Do not put your name or identifying information on your essay. Include a cover sheet with your name. address, and phone number.



Essays will be judged for knowledge, originality, composition, grammar and appearance. The top 10 finalists will receive a prize! The top two finalists will be selected to represent Ozark Border Electric Cooperative on the 2024 Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. The next two finalists will represent us on the 2024 C.Y.C.L.E. trip in Jefferson City, Missouri. Finalists that are not selected for a trip will receive a \$100 gift card.