

Youth Tour

The trip of a Lifetime!

Win an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C.

Enter the 2023 Youth Tour Essay Contest

Ozark Border Electric Cooperative is sponsoring two area high school juniors on the 2023 NRECA Youth Tour. They will travel with over 100 students from Missouri and over 1800 students from across America on a week-long all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C.! You will see memorials, museums, monuments and more!! The 2023 trip is scheduled for June 12 – 18.

Contest Information and Rules:

1. Entries will be accepted from any current high school junior whose parents/legal guardians are members of Ozark Border Electric Cooperative. (except children, grandchildren, brothers or sisters of OBEC employees or directors)
2. 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.
3. Submission deadline will be March 10, 2023. Do not put your name or identifying information on your essay. Include a cover sheet with your name, address and phone number. Completed applications and essays can be mailed to:

**Ozark Border Electric Cooperative
YOUTH TOUR
PO Box 400
Poplar Bluff, MO 63902**

4. 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 2023 Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. The next two finalists will represent us on the 2023 C.Y.C.L.E. trip in Jefferson City, Missouri. Finalists that are not selected for a trip will receive a \$100 gift card.

If you have questions about Youth Tour contact Cherie Cook at 573-785-4631 or 800-392-0567 / by email ccook@ozarkborder.org

YOU COULD WIN AN ALL EXPENSE PAID TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C.!

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See contest rules for more information.

ENTER NOW: Complete the application and student profile and mail with your essay to:

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The essay topic is:

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OFFICIAL ENTRY APPLICATION

Please enter me in the "2023 Youth Tour Essay Contest" sponsored by Ozark Border Electric Cooperative.

Name: *(print)* _____ Age _____

I am a Junior at: _____
School Name and Address

My Mailing address is: _____ My phone number is : _____

My email address is: _____ *(optional)*

My parent(s)/guardians name: _____ Phone number: _____

Their Ozark Border Electric account number is _____

As a parent or guardian of the above student, I give my approval for him or her to enter Youth Tour Essay Contest, and if selected to receive a trip, he/she has my permission to partipate.



Signature of Parent/Guardian

Student's Signature

OZARK BORDER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE YOUTH TOUR ESSAY CONTEST

STUDENT PROFILE

Name: _____ School: _____

1. List any extracurricular activities (teams, clubs, organizations, etc.) you are involved in: _____

2. What do you enjoy doing in your spare time? _____

3. What are your education/career plans past high school? _____

4. What is one thing you would do to improve your community? _____

5. Why did you enter this contest? _____

