

2017 Washington Youth Tour Contest Rules & Regulations

We select two high school students (junior or senior year) who will receive a full-expense paid trip to Washington, DC. Included are guided tours of the nation's capital and meetings with dignitaries from your congressional district. You will meet hundreds of youth from around the country and make life-long friends.

Eligible participants: Must be a junior or graduating senior for the 2016-2017 school year in a participating public/private school system or home school student in our service area. This contest is open to all seniors and junior regardless of electrical utility provider unless the utility is a participant in the Washington Youth Tour Program.*

Winners of the contest must be available to attend the Washington Youth Tour June 8-15, 2017. Any student who has previously won the Washington Youth Tour is not eligible to enter the contest a second time.

Letter Criteria and topic: Write a letter to the President of the United States explaining an energy related problem and outline your proposed solution. The letter should not be more than 500 words and should be typed, double-spaced on white paper and have a cover sheet with title and last four digits of their Social Security Number.** The letter should follow standard rules of grammar and composition and reference material should be documented. Independent judges will grade the letters.

Interview: Following the evaluation of written work, the top four applicants will participate in an interview. Interview judging criteria will include general knowledge of energy topic, poise, personality, professionalism, and speaking ability.

Due date: All applications are due by **March 3, 2017**. Applications may be mailed to: Irwin EMC, P.O. Box 125, Ocilla, GA 31774 or delivered by hand to 915 West Fourth Street, Ocilla. Note: Applications are DUE on March 3, not postmarked.

Questions: Should be directed to David Martin, Irwin EMC, at 229-7415, ext. 2313 or email david.martin@irwinemc.com.

*If your household receives electrical service from Middle Georgia EMC, Colquitt EMC or any other participating EMC, please contact your local EMC to request information regarding their application process.

**The student's name should not be stated anywhere in the letter. Only the last four digits of their Social Security Number should be used to identify the student.

2017 WASHINGTON YOUTH TOUR

Irwin EMC Permission Form

Name must agree with drivers' license or other form of photo ID that will be required at airport and other security checks should student be chosen as a delegate.

STUDENT NAME _____
First Name Middle Name Last Name

PREFERRED NAME FOR NAMETAG _____
First Name (or name student prefers to go by) and Last Name

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP _____

HOME PHONE () _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # _____

US CITIZEN Y N If no, what is country of origin? _____

GRADE _____

SEX M F BIRTH DATE _____

SHIRT SIZE: S M L XL 2X 3X

_____ I AM ABLE TO ATTEND THE WASHINGTON YOUTH TOUR JUNE 8-15,2017 SHOULD I BE CHOSEN AS A DELEGATE.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

FATHER'S NAME _____

FATHER'S PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT _____

DAY PHONE # FOR FATHER () _____

MOTHER'S NAME _____

MOTHER'S PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT _____

DAY PHONE # FOR MOTHER () _____

I GIVE MY SON/DAUGHTER PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR THE 2017 WASHINGTON YOUTH TOUR SPONSORED BY IRWIN EMC AND TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TOUR SHOULD HE/SHE BE CHOSEN AS A DELEGATE.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

PLEASE RETURN WITH LETTER TO:

David Martin
Irwin EMC
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Applications due March 03, 2017