

Make sure you include...

- Completed application form
- Original, 500-word essay (neatly written or typed and double-spaced) explaining why you believe Owen Electric should select you as our youth representative to Washington, D.C.
- List of school activities and awards

Contest deadline: February 2, 2024

Essays will be judged on...

- Appropriate treatment of question (40 percent)
- Originality (35 percent)
- Composition and grammar (15 percent)
- Neatness and presentation (10 percent)

About the youth tour...

More than 1,400 high school students, all sponsored by electric cooperatives from around the United States, participate annually in the Washington Youth Tour. The tour is designed to educate students about the cooperative form of business, and about our nation's political process. Students learn about electric cooperatives and American history, and see their government in action.

Typical activities include visits to the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, Arlington Cemetery, tours of the Capitol, the White House and Smithsonian, rides down the Potomac River on chartered boats and prime seating for shows at Ford's Theater or other venues. Kentucky students also meet with their representatives and senators.



June 17-22, 2024

Owen Electric Cooperative will send a group of high school juniors on an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., June 17-22, 2024.

The following rules will apply to the contest:

1. The Washington Youth Tour is open to any high school junior attending a public or private school in Boone, Campbell, Carroll, Gallatin, Grant, Kenton, Owen, Pendleton or Scott counties whose parent(s) or legal guardian(s) is a member of Owen Electric Cooperative (excluding accounts with security lights only).
2. The applicant may not be a member of the immediate family of Owen Electric employees or Board members. Immediate family includes child, grandchild, brother, sisters, niece or nephew.
3. Each contest participant must submit a completed application, along with a 500-word essay telling why you believe Owen Electric should select you as its youth representative in Washington, D.C.
4. A list of school activities and awards must be included with the application.
5. Applications and essays will be reviewed by a panel of impartial judges from the state electric cooperative program. The judges must not personally know the applicants.
6. Judges will consider such qualities as grammar, neatness, composition, and originality of their essays (see back page for judging criteria).
7. Three finalists will be chosen, and these students will have the opportunity to be part of the Frankfort Youth Tour in March. On this tour, students will join other cooperative representatives from around the state for a day of learning and fun at our state capital. From these eight, four will be chosen to go to Washington, D.C.
8. All applications and essays should be received at an Owen Electric office by 4:30 p.m., Friday, February 2, 2024.
9. All applications and essays become the property of Owen Electric Cooperative and may be used in cooperative publications.
10. Transportation for the 2024 Washington Youth Tour will be provided by a bus chartered by the Kentucky Association of Electric Cooperatives.

If you have questions regarding the Frankfort/Washington Youth Tour, call Owen Electric at 1-800-372-7612.

Application form

Name _____

Home address city with zip code _____

Phone number _____

E-mail address _____

Date of birth _____

Owen EC account number _____

Parents' or Legal Guardians' names _____

(If the service is not in their names, please list whose name it is in.)

High School _____

Grade _____ Cumulative GPA _____

Expected Graduation _____

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

I certify that this information is true to the best of my knowledge.

Parent or guardian signature. _____

Date _____

Drop off the completed application and related materials to any Owen office, or mail to:

Member Services/Marketing

Owen Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 400

Owenton, KY 40359-0400