



APPLICATION FORM

Please return completed application and essay to:
Firelands Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Attn: Youth Tour Program
P.O. Box 32 – One Energy Place
New London, Ohio 44851-0032

Sponsored by Ohio's Electric Cooperatives and Firelands Electric Cooperative, Inc.

APPLICATION FORM MUST BE TYPED

*(Application and attached essay must be completed and mailed to your cooperative.
Firelands Electric must receive all application materials by **February 1, 2017.**)*

Date: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Date of birth: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male Female

Mailing Address: _____

Student's email: _____ Parents' email: _____

Are your parents/guardians members of Firelands Electric Cooperative? Yes No

Parents' Names: _____

Service Location Address: _____

Father's Occupation: _____ Mother's Occupation: _____

Parent(s) Phone: _____ Parent(s) Cell Phone: _____

Name of School: _____ Grade: _____

School Address: _____

What plans do you have for the future? _____

What do you feel is the greatest benefit you could gain from attending the Youth Tour?

Be sure to attach:

Essay

Recent photo of the applicant

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT: (Non-school activities, including church and community)

Give years of membership and outstanding activities in which you have participated as a leader (*high school only*).

ORGANIZATION	NO. OF YEARS	OFFICES HELD

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT: (School related activities)

List the activities participated in during your high school attendance, such as: athletics, class officer, drama, music, etc. Don't list them all — please list your most noteworthy activities.

ACTIVITY	NO. OF YEARS	COMMENTS

STATEMENT OF APPLICANT AND PARENT/ GUARDIAN

(These signatures are to be obtained prior to forwarding this application to high school officials.)

We have examined this application and the records are true, complete and accurate.

Date: _____

Signed: _____

(Applicant)

Date: _____

Signed: _____

(Parent/Guardian)

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLASTIC RECORD:

This section to be completed and signed by guidance counselor or school official.

List scholastic awards won: (local, county, district, state, and/or national)

Evaluation of student: (leadership, perseverance, prediction of future success, etc.)

Number of students in Sophomore/Junior Class: Boys _____ Girls _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____ Class Rank: _____

High School: _____

School Address: _____

Date: _____

Signed: _____

Position: _____



YOUTH TOUR ESSAY

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DISCOVERING THE COOPERATIVE DIFFERENCE

What is the Cooperative Difference?

Think about how your local electric cooperative differs from other businesses, especially other utilities, in its structure, philosophy, and community involvement.

Some things to think about are:

- Who owns the business?
- How are important business decisions made, and who makes them?
- How do the owners voice their concerns and opinions?
- Who benefits from the service?
- Who benefits financially from any excess revenue?
- What are the principles that make cooperatives unique?
- What is the primary mission of electric cooperative utilities?

Youth Tour winners are selected by evaluation of the information included in the application and the essay. Essays are judged on how clearly the opinions and ideas are expressed in the applicant's own words. The booklet "[The Cooperative Difference](#)" (November 2015 edition), which is available at www.FirelandsEC.com, can be used as a resource tool for essays.

In a 500 word essay, answer one of the following questions:

1. How does an electric cooperative differ from other businesses and from other utilities?
2. What are the biggest energy issues that your generation will face?
3. How would you expect to benefit from the Youth Tour experience in your future?
4. What cooperative core value can improve your community the most?
5. How has your electric cooperative improved the living conditions in your home, or in your life?
6. What do you perceive as the greatest problem facing the electric utility industry today?

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**Questions? Contact the Member Services Dept. at
1-800-533-8658 or members@firelandsec.com.**