













A week-long, all-expenses-paid leadership adventure in D.C.

Applications due February 15, 2024

Tri-County EMC is accepting applications from area high school students for consideration in the prestigious Washington Youth Tour, an *all-expenses-paid* leadership opportunity available once a year to students in Georgia. The two chosen students will join more than 100 youth to represent the state during the 2023 Washington Youth Tour to be held June 14-21.

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The fast-paced, high-energy program is designed to give students a taste of democracy in action, expose them to the nation's rich history through visits to national monuments and museums, and encourage students to become active in their communities.

The tour begins in Georgia where students get to know each other, learn about Georgia's 41 EMCs and the electric cooperative industry, all while engaging in teambuilding exercises and leadership activities. The group then travels to Washington, D.C. to connect with more than 1,500 students from across the country. While there, they will cruise down the Potomac River; lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington Cemetery; and tour the U.S. Supreme Court, the Bureau of Printing and Engraving, Mount Vernon, the National Cathedral and Ford's Theater. Students will also visit memorials honoring Presidents Franklin Roosevelt, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Washington; World War II; the Vietnam and Korean Wars; and watch the U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps and the Silent Drill Platoon perform at the Iwo Jima Memorial. Students will also visit the Smithsonian Institute, Newseum and Holocaust Museums.

To complete an application or to learn more, visit **tri-countyemc.com/washingtonyouthtour.cms**. Applications must be submitted by February 15, 2024.

## Eligibility Requirements

- Student must reside in a home served by Tri-County EMC.
- Public, private and home-school students are eligible.
- Participants must be 16 years of age by June 15, 2024.
- Participants must turn in complete application with parent signature by Feb. 15, 2024.

## Application Checklist

- Completed application form
- Letter of recommendation
- Personal Statement
- Parental/Guardian permission
- Current Photo of applicant (preferably school photo)

## 2023 Delegates



JAYDEN DANIEL
PUTNAM COUNTY

"Washington Youth Tour made me want to take a bigger look into politics and further expand my leadership abilities."



**ESTEBAN ZABALA**BALDWIN COUNTY

"I'm very shy, so this tour helped me come out of my shell and become more extroverted. It made me realize that I would be able to live on a college campus."





Questions? Call Anna!

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