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# OFFICIAL ENTRY APPLICATION

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Enclosed is my application and essay for the “2023 Youth Tour & CYCLE Contest,” sponsored by Tri-County Electric Cooperative

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(Student Name)

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(Date)



# 2023 Youth Tour & Cycle Application Information

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**Youth Tour:** June 12<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 | **CYCLE:** July 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 2023

## **Eligibility:**

Any high school student enrolled in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade (junior) in a high school serving or substantially serving the same area as does the cooperative. *All high school junior students are eligible if:*

- They are NOT an immediate family member of a director or an employee of Tri-County Electric Cooperative.
- They mail or fax in the **Official Entry Application (enclosed)**, and **one-to-two-page essay** by **March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023** (Address Below).

## **Essay Rules:**

1. Students ARE allowed to use a previously written essay from their most recent English class, as long as it:
  - Meets the one-to-two-page requirement
  - Is Single Spaced *or* Double Spaced
  - Is 12-point font *and* Times New Roman
  - Is appropriate for use in an English class
2. Essays will be judged based on the following equal components:
  - Originality
  - Composition
  - Neatness
  - Grammar & Syntax
  - Critical Thinking
3. All essays received by the March 10, 2023 due date will be judged by an unbiased third party. The judges will then pick two junior students to receive the all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., and two junior students to receive the all-expense-paid trip to CYCLE in Jefferson City. Winners of both Youth Tour and CYCLE will be contacted during the month of April.

Mail to:

OR

E-Mail to:

**Tri-County Electric Cooperative**  
**Attn: Youth Tour**  
**P.O. Box 159 Lancaster, MO**  
**63548-0159**

**tricountyelectricmo@gmail.com**



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## BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

I Attend \_\_\_\_\_ High School and am in \_\_\_\_\_ Grade.  
If home schooled state here

My Birthday is: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

My Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are: \_\_\_\_\_

Our Mailing Address is: \_\_\_\_\_

Our Phone Number/s: \_\_\_\_\_

My Email Address is: \_\_\_\_\_  
This can also be your parent(s)/guardian(s) email address

Additional Contact Info (if needed): \_\_\_\_\_

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### PARENT RELEASE FORM

As parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I give my approval for him or her to enter the  
Student Name

"Youth Tour & CYCLE Essay Contest," and if selected to receive either trip, they have my permission to participate on behalf of Tri-County Electric Cooperative.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Photo Release Form for Minors (if under 18)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ am 18 years or older.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ am the parent/legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ (name, age).

*Tri-County Electric Cooperative has my permission to use my child's photograph publicly to promote the Cooperative during and after Youth Tour/CYCLE. I understand that the images may be used in professional print publications (Rural Missouri), online publications, presentations, websites, and social media.*

Please direct any questions to Amy Farris at Tri-County Electric Cooperative.

Email: [afarris@tricountyelectric.org](mailto:afarris@tricountyelectric.org) or 660-457-3733 ext 226.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_.

Phone Number/Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_.





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## YOUTH TOUR & CYCLE STUDENT PROFILE

1. List any extracurricular activities (teams, clubs, organizations, etc.) you participate in: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. In what ways, do you spend your free time? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What are your education/career plans after high school? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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5. Why did you enter this contest? \_\_\_\_\_

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