



2024 Washington Youth Tour

Saturday, June 15-Friday, June 21, 2024

Instructions: Please complete this application in its entirety and return no later than 4:00 p.m.

Friday March 22, 2024, to:

Janell Leinen

Nishnabotna Valley REC

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Harlan, IA 51537

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NAME: _____ AGE: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PARENTS/GUARDIANS NAME: _____

NISHNABOTNA VALLEY REC ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

CURRENT GRADE IN SCHOOL: _____

SCHOOL COUNSELOR (NAME/PHONE): _____

*****Contact will be made via email regarding application questions, interview scheduling, etc. Please feel free to include students' and parents' email addresses.*****

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: List scholastic activities that you have participated in or offices you have held.

Some of the things students will do and see on the Youth Tour:

- Washington Monument
- World War II Memorial
- Albert Einstein Memorial
- Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial
- Vietnam Veterans Memorial
- The National Mall
- Boat cruise on the Potomac River
- Holocaust Memorial
- Madame Tussauds Wax Museum
- Ford's Theater
- Korean War Veterans Memorial
- Lincoln Memorial
- Washington National Cathedral
- Mount Vernon
- Iwo Jima Sunset Parade
- Night tour of The White House
- U.S. Capitol tour
- National Harbor
- Georgetown
- Newseum

For additional information or if you have questions, please contact:

Janell Leinen 712-755-2166 or jleinen@nvrec.com

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: List other activities in which you are involved at school or in the community, church groups, and/or athletics.

CAREER GOALS/FUTURE PLANS: _____

SPECIAL INTERESTS: List community service, volunteer and/or work experience

HONORS/AWARDS YOU HAVE RECEIVED: _____

ESSAY: Please include an essay of 500 words maximum on ONE of the following topics. The essay is to be typed and double-spaced.

- What steps would you take to make your home more energy efficient, and how would you educate your parents about the benefits of energy efficiency? What steps could you take to make a business, school, or large industry run more energy efficiently? Include ways in which you would convince others to get involved in your efforts.
- What are some of the challenges rural electric cooperatives face with legislative mandates requiring higher amounts of green energy?
- Imagine a power outage in your neighborhood lasting for 5 days caused by a storm. How would your daily activities change? What lifestyle changes would you and your family be required to make during this time?
- A cooperative is a not-for-profit business organization owned and operated by a group of individuals for their mutual benefit. Co-ops are democratically controlled by members voluntarily united to meet a common economic, social, and/or cultural need, such as the need for electric or telephone service in rural areas. Other examples include food, housing, and childcare co-ops. Identify a need in your community or school that would lend itself to the formation of a cooperative. Why do you think the need is not currently being met? Why is the need important to your community? Explain how you would go about attracting members to join your cooperative. In other words, sell us on your proposed cooperative.
- A big investor has come to your community. He is interested in relocating his corporate headquarters to your town, which will bring 500 new jobs to the area. After meeting with county officials, real estate agents, contractors, and many civic leaders, he has decided that he wants to hear from the area's young people. Therefore, write a brief letter to 'Mr. Jones' telling him your own thoughts about why your community needs his business and why his business needs your town.