



Paulding Putnam
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC
Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

**APPLICATION
DEADLINE IS
FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY
10 @ 4 PM**

ENTRY CHECKLIST:

- ___ APPLICATION/ENTRY FORM
- ___ OFFICIAL SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT
- ___ COMPLETED TEST (pg. 5)
- ___ PERSONAL REFERENCE

Deliver or mail to:

**PPEC
Attn. Amy McCreery
401 McDonald Pike
Paulding, OH 45879.**

**Or email
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**OHIO
YOUTH TOUR**

**2023 TOUR DATES:
JUNE 17-23**

**HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS
WASHINGTON YOUTH TOUR 2023**

PURPOSE:

Each summer, Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative sponsors one student from our membership that attends an Ohio or Indiana school for the annual Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C. in June. Selected winners can learn about our nation’s Capital, the government and rural electric cooperatives while seeing the historic and cultural sights of the Washington, D.C. area. Many tours are VIP visits to areas not available to the general public. More than 1,800 students from up to 46 states will travel to Washington for the weeklong experience. There is an opportunity for students to make life-long friendships and valuable contacts.

The program is coordinated by Ohio Electric Cooperatives (OEC) and Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative (PPEC). All transportation, lodging, meals and admission costs are included. For safety considerations, a registered nurse, doctor and dentist are on call at the hotel at all times.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

To be eligible to compete for the Washington Youth Tour, the following provisions will govern the acceptance of applicants:

- Entrants must be the child or legal ward of a Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative member. The account must be in the parent’s name.
- Entrants must be a high school Sophomore or Junior or Senior at the time of application due date.
- Incomplete applications are ineligible. Applications must be received in the Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative office by 4:00 p.m. on March 1, 2023. Incomplete applications are ineligible.
- The Youth Tour Committee and Entrants will be provided with the Cooperative Difference video link about electric cooperatives and the seven cooperative principals by which co-ops operate.
- Applicants will be asked to participate in a multiple-choice test included with the application. There is also a personal interview that will be scheduled with the Youth Tour Committee held at Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative.
- Questions asked in the interview will include knowledge of cooperatives, specifically Paulding Putnam electric Cooperative, scholastic achievements and career goals.
- The committee will weigh responses based on content quality and presentation abilities.
- The selected delegate will be asked to be present in the award announcement at their home school. A runner-up will also be selected in the event the winning delegate cannot attend.

ONCE SELECTED AS A YOUTH TOUR DELEGATE

- One student will be chosen to represent PPEC on the all expense paid Youth Tour to Washington, D.C., in June. Winners will be notified and presented at their home school.
- Indiana Electric Cooperatives (IEC), or Ohio’s Electric Cooperative (OEC) will follow up with the winning representatives and their parents via telephone and email.
- The candidate representing PPEC is strongly encouraged to compete during the Youth Tour for election to represent Ohio/Indiana on the National Rural Electric Association (NRECA) Youth Leadership Council. Well-qualified, well-prepared candidates who are friendly, outgoing, and positive have an excellent chance of being selected by their fellow students for this additional honor. Only one representative from each state is elected to the council. Information is available on NRECA’s website <https://www.electric.coop/our-organization/youth-programs/youth-leadership-council>
- Representatives will be asked to return the following year to share their experience.



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ENTRY FORM:

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ MOBILE PHONE: _____

STUDENT E-MAIL: _____

AGE*: _____ CURRENT GRADE: SOPHOMORE _____ JUNIOR _____

CURRENT CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE: _____

SCHOOL: _____

NAME OF PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN: _____

PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC ACCOUNT Number _____
(FOUND ON BILLING STATEMENT)

PARENT PHONE NUMBER: _____

I consent and agree that Paulding Putnam Electric Inc. (PPEC), its employees, and agents have the right to take photographs, videotape, or digital recordings of me to use in any and all media. I agree that PPEC may use such photographs and media of me with or without my name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, web content and the *Ohio Cooperative Living* magazine.

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

*APPLICANT MUST BE AT LEAST SIXTEEN YEARS OLD BY JUNE 17, 2023

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What plans do you have for the future: _____

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

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

Give years of membership and outstanding activities in which you have participated as a leader.

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. Please list your most noteworthy activities.

ACTIVITY	NO. OF YEARS	COMMENTS

Return to the applicant.
 This form must accompany
 their application when it is
 submitted to ppec.

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PERSONAL REFERENCE

NAME OF APPLICANT (STUDENT): _____

Why do you think this student is a good fit for Youth Tour? (Why would you recommend him/her?)

**If more space is needed, feel free to attach separate page.*

CHARACTERISTIC	EXCELLENT	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	POOR
MATURITY					
COOPERATIVE NATURE					
POTENTIAL					
LEADERSHIP ABILITY					
DESIRE TO SUCCEED					
DESIRE TO EXCEL					
ATTITUDE					
SELF CONFIDENCE					
SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY					
SOCIAL SKILLS					

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

POSITION: _____

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WASHINGTON YOUTH TOUR 2023

TEST ON COOPERATIVE KNOWLEDGE

Name of Applicant : _____

This is an OPEN book test based on <i>The Cooperative Difference</i> booklet which can be viewed at www.ppec.coop/youth-tour For questions 1-9 please circle the correct answer. For question 10 please print clearly.		
1.	Several of Ohio's electric cooperatives have rates that are lower than many of the state's investor-owned electric utilities.	True False
2.	A primary difference between electric cooperatives and investor-owned utilities lies in the fact that the members of electric cooperatives are the owners of their electric provider.	True False
3.	The three main components of the electric utility industry are generation, voltage and distribution.	True False
4.	Commercial and industrial businesses are the largest customer base for electric cooperatives.	True False
5.	There are currently 25 electric cooperatives serving the state of Ohio.	True False
6.	The electric utility business is capital intensive, meaning it requires a great deal of expensive equipment—such as power plants, poles, lines and substations—to do business.	True False
7.	In the 1930s and 1940s, almost no one in the Ohio countryside had access to electricity.	True False
8.	Electric cooperatives serve some of the state's most difficult terrain, which comprises nearly 40 percent of the land area of Ohio.	True False
9.	The recent American Customer Satisfaction Index results show that co-ops have higher satisfaction ratings than other electric utilities.	True False
10.	Discuss how a member of an electric cooperative is treated differently than a customer of an investor-owned utility.	