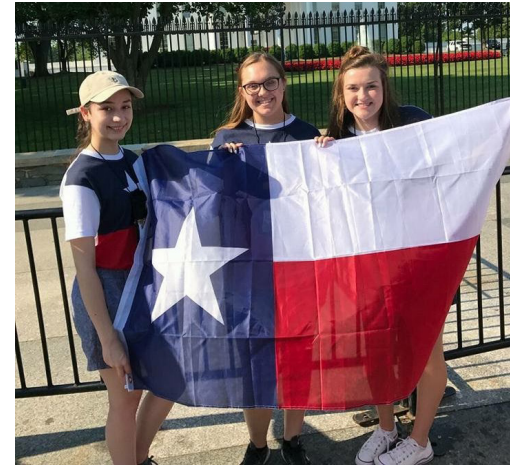
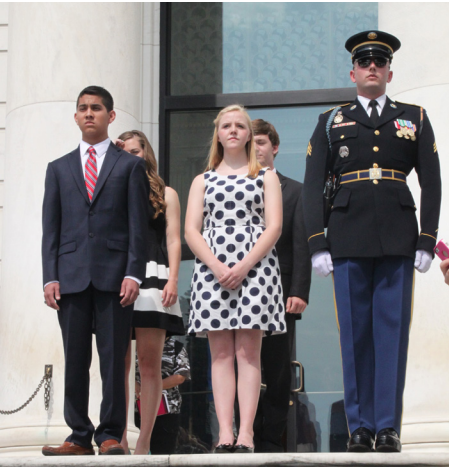


2018 Government-in-Action Youth Tour



Should Co-op Linemen be Considered First-Responders?

In the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, linemen charged into the disaster area to restore power to thousands who were affected by the storm. They worked long hours, in tough conditions, until everyone had electricity again. Shortly after, a petition was started asking Congress to legally recognize linemen as first responders. Do you believe co-op linemen should be considered first responders? Explain why or why not.

Write a 300-500 word, original essay answering this question and San Patricio Electric Cooperative might send you to the Washington D.C. next June 6-15!

San Patricio Electric Cooperative is proud to announce our continued involvement with the Government-in-Action Youth Tour. The two students who write the most outstanding essays will earn a week-long, all-expense-paid trip, along with more than 130 other young Texans, to Washington, D.C.

What are the requirements?

- Essay and application must be submitted by **Jan. 5, 2018**
- Must be a high school junior or senior
- Must have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher
- Must be in good standing with your school
- Parents/legal guardians must be members of SPEC

What does the trip include?

- Airfare
- Meals
- Hotel accommodations
- Tours of popular attractions in Washington



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Youth Tour Application Form Due 01/05/18

Name of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Address for electric account (if different): _____

Student's Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Name of High School Represented: _____

Students Grade Level (circle one): Junior/Senior

(Must be considered a junior or senior during the 2016-2017 school year)

Grade Point Average (3.0 or higher): _____

Counselor's signature attesting to grade level, grade-point average and good standing:

(signature)

(printed name)

Attach 300-500 word essay answering: "Should co-op linemen be considered first responders?"

Please return the completed application to SPEC no later than January 5, 2018. You may hand deliver it to our office, email it to pr@sanpatricioelectric.org or mail it to P.O. Drawer 400, Sinton, Texas 78387.

Winners will be notified by telephone. Additional consent and medical release forms must be completed once the winners are notified.