



Youth Tour Contest Rules - 2026

As with all contests, there are a few rules which apply. They are:

1. The Youth Tour contest is open to all high school sophomores and juniors whose parent(s) or guardian(s) are members of Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative, Inc. or who are stockholders in a farm corporation which is a member of the Cooperative.
2. Students of board members or employees are not eligible to enter.
3. Students who want to apply must fill out the one-page application and return it to Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative by **SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2026**.
4. Applications can be mailed to 229 Highway 51, Postville, IA 52162; dropped off at our office; emailed to jachenbach@acrec.coop or filled out online at <https://acrec.com/youth-tour>.
5. Students who submit an application by the deadline will be contacted by ACEC in early February. At that time, they will be emailed information, including a short-answer essay question, a multiple-choice test and information about Cooperatives.
6. The top-five candidates from the test and essay will be invited to the Cooperative for an in-person interview in March, with the two winners announced no later than April 1.
7. Two winners will be chosen to participate in a chaperoned, all-expense-paid trip to **Washington, DC June 14-20, 2026**. More details on the trip can be found at <https://www.iowarec.org/youth-tour>.
8. One alternate winner will be chosen if one of the winners is unable to represent Allamakee-Clayton for any reason.
9. The alternate and the remaining two finalists will each receive a \$100 cash award.

For more information, contact:

Jennifer Achenbach
Manager, Marketing and Communications at ACEC
jachenbach@acrec.coop
563-864-7611