

Experience the WONDER OF WASHINGTON

WIN A TRIP!

High school sophomores and juniors can win a free trip sponsored by your local electric cooperative to Washington, D.C. June 15-21, 2012.

The Iowa Rural Youth Tour is a perfect opportunity to travel, work with REC leaders, and enhance your leadership skills! You will travel with over 30 other students from Iowa and meet over 1,000 teens from across the nation!

Log-on to www.hawkeyerec.coop to apply and complete the *new online "open book" test* which must be submitted by March 16, 2012. The answers can be found on Hawkeye's website and the National Youth Tour website at <http://youthtour.coop/>

The five students with top scores will qualify for the final interviews and judging on **April 11th**. A panel of judges will select the winner of the Washington D.C. trip and an alternate.

Take a close look at the action-packed itinerary highlights for the 2012 Youth Tour:

Friday, June 15

- Orientation at Best Western Plus Marquis Des Moines Airport Hotel
- Fun and Games

Saturday, June 16

- Fly to Washington, D.C.
- World War II Memorial
- Washington Monument
- Driving tour of the city
- Albert Einstein Memorial
- Washington National Cathedral
- Paddleboats on the Potomac
- Check-in at Hyatt Regency Crystal City
- Youth Leadership Council interviews

Sunday, June 17

- Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial
- Thomas Jefferson Memorial
- Vietnam Veterans Memorial
- National Air and Space Museum
- Tour National Mall attractions
- Boat cruise on the Potomac River

Monday, June 18

- Rural Electric Youth Day
- Ronald Reagan International Trade Center
- Holocaust Memorial Museum
- Madame Tussauds Wax Museum
- Ford's Theatre
- Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

- Union Station
- U.S. Navy Band Concert
- Korean War Veterans Memorial
- Lincoln Memorial

Tuesday, June 19

- Arlington National Cemetery
- Kennedy Gravesites
- Tomb of the Unknowns
- Robert E. Lee Memorial
- Bureau of Printing and Engraving
- Mount Vernon
- Iwo Jima Sunset Parade
- Iwo Jima Monument
- The White House

Wednesday, June 20

- Meet with representatives at U.S. Capitol
- U.S. Supreme Court
- Library of Congress
- Tour of U.S. Capitol
- Meet with senators at U.S. Capitol
- National Harbor
- All-States Farewell Dinner and Dance

Thursday, June 21

- Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial
- Newseum
- Georgetown
- Pentagon 9-11 Memorial
- Fly to Des Moines

Still not convinced? Watch this video created by the Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives after last summer's trip and it might just change your mind!

<http://animoto.com/play/IKShrNsc8Ob0XSebIAEoZg>

"Youth Tour influenced my future!"

Olivia Reicks – Hawkeye's 2011 Winner



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