



A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative



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2023 APPLICATION FORM

2023 Youth Day – Springfield, IL – March 29, 2023

Completed applications must be in MJM's office by January 13th, 2023.

Name: _____

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

Household MJM Account Number: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Cell Number: _____ Parent Cell Number: _____

Text: YES or NO

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Student Email Address: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

High School: _____ Current Grade: _____ Age: _____

Date of Birth: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____ Gender: _____

By completing and submitting this application, I verify my membership to MJM Electric Cooperative and eligibility to attend Youth Day in Springfield on March 29, 2023 and commit to the Springfield trip. I also understand that if I should be selected as one of the winners of the contest, I will take the all-expenses paid tour to Washington, D.C. June 16 - 23, 2023. I agree to arrange daytrip transportation to and from MJM's office or to AIEC in Springfield, if needed.

Signature of Student

Date

Youth Day and the Youth to Washington programs are paid for by MJM Electric Cooperative and the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives. Both events are chaperoned by adults. **Please note we will be following any local, state, and federal guidelines for Youth Day in Springfield and the Youth to Washington Tour.**

If you have any additional questions, contact MJM Communications and Member Services Coordinator: Eric Cooper at 217-707-6028.

YOUTH TOUR 2023 ESSAY & QUESTIONS

2023 Essay Question:

“In 500 words or less, explain why electric cooperatives were formed in the 1930's and why the cooperative business model is still beneficial today.”

Feel free to use additional resources online or elsewhere for background information. These websites may be a helpful starting point for you:

www.nreca.org

www.touchstoneenergy.com

www.ourenergy.coop

Additionally, please provide these details about yourself (List of Achievements).

- Participation in school and community activities/organizations
- Special awards, honors, or achievements you've received
- Future education and/or career aspirations and a brief autobiographical statement

Essay answers and achievement information submitted to MJM Electric Cooperative will be reviewed by an impartial panel of judges who will select up to ten participants to represent our cooperative on Illinois Cooperative **Youth Day in Springfield** in 2023.

We'll notify you of your status by March 1, 2023.

The applications and interviews (if necessary) will be used to select up to two finalists from the group of Illinois Youth Day participants to represent MJM Electric Cooperative at the Youth to Washington Tour.

The finalist(s) will receive an all-expense-paid trip to Washington D.C. in 2023.