THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME

GOVERNMENT-IN-ACTION

YOUTH TOUR

JUNE 17-26, 2020

We will select one recipient from both the Childress and Spur Offices and two from the Lubbock Division.

Eligibility, contest rules, judging:
• You must be a high school junior or senior.
• Participants will be required to appear before an independent panel of judges to discuss the interview questions.
• Participants will have 5-7 minutes of interview time.
• Participants will be chosen based on how well they present themselves to the judges, their speaking ability, appearance and poise.

Contest locations, dates and times:
• Childress Office—November 18, 2019; 7 p.m.; 1900 Ave. C NW in Childress
• Spur Office—November 25, 2019; 7 p.m.; 2741 FM 836 in Spur
• Lubbock Division—December 2, 2019; 6:30 p.m.; at the North office, I-27 and Municipal Drive in Lubbock

More information:
• Questions should be addressed to Becky Wilson at bwilson@SPEC.coop, (806)775-7514 or (800)687-2883.
• Entry forms and interview questions can be found at SPEC.coop. Entry forms must be submitted online by 5 p.m., Friday, November 8, 2019.
Possible Interview Questions

Co-op Questions
1. What year was your cooperative formed?
2. How many directors serve on the board of directors of your cooperative?
3. About how many meters does your cooperative serve?
4. About how many members does your cooperative serve?
5. Your cooperative serves all or part of how many counties?
6. Where is the headquarters office of your cooperative?
7. What is the name of the generation and transmission cooperative from which your cooperative purchases wholesale electricity?
8. What is one of the Seven Cooperative Principles?
9. Who inspired the creation of Youth Tour?
10. How many years has Texas been participating in Youth Tour?
11. What is a difference between an electric cooperative and an investor-owned utility?
12. Ocean Spray is a cooperative business. Can you name other companies that follow the cooperative business model?
13. What do you think is the electric cooperative’s responsibility in the community?

Personal Questions
1. Tell us about yourself and why you think you would be an ideal candidate to represent your cooperative in Washington, D.C.
2. What excites you the most about the possibility of going to Washington, D.C., on Youth Tour?
3. What do you do like to do for fun?
4. What are your education and career goals?
5. How would this opportunity help you achieve your life goals?
6. Have you traveled to Washington, D.C., or any other big city before?

Government Questions
1. Name the three branches of the federal government and explain the duties of each.
2. If you could ask your congressional representative one question, what would you ask and why?
3. If you could ask the president a question, what would you ask and why?
4. Who is your United States Representative?