

### POWERLINES

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# Tri-State EMC Accepting Essays for 2020 Washington Youth Tour

ri-State EMC is accepting applications from area high school juniors to compete for an all-expenses-paid spot on the 2020 Washington Youth Tour (WYT). The weeklong leadership trip offers participants the opportunity to experience our government and our history up close while having fun, making friends and developing leadership skills.

Three delegates sponsored by Tri-State EMC will join teens representing other electric cooperatives in the nation's capital for the 2020 WYT. One student from each of the three local high schools (Fannin County, Copper Basin and Hiwassee Dam) will be chosen. Interested students can submit essays at their high schools. The deadline to turn in the essay is March 15, 2020.

The fast-paced, high-energy program is designed to give students a taste of democracy in action, expose them to the nation's rich history through visits to national monuments and museums and encourage them to become politically aware citizens. The unforgettable journey includes face-to-face meetings with state and national leaders, leadership training and discussions on important issues with students from other states.

The group travels to Washington, D.C., to connect with more than 1,500 students from across the country. The students cruise down the Potomac River, visit the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery, meet with U.S. senators and representatives and tour the U.S. Supreme Court, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Mount Vernon, the



From left, delegates Erin Raper (Hiwassee Dam High School), Iris Wilson (Copper Basin High School) and Brook Patton (Fannin County High School) represented Tri-State EMC on the 2019 Washington Youth Tour. Applications for the 2020 WYT will be accepted until March 15.

Washington National Cathedral and Ford's Theatre.

Students will visit memorials and monuments honoring Presidents Franklin Roosevelt, Jefferson, Lincoln and Washington and veterans of World War II and the Vietnam and Korean wars. They also will watch the U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps and the Silent Drill Platoon perform at the Iwo Jima Memorial, as well as spend time at the Smithsonian Institution and Holocaust Memorial Museum.

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## Tri-State EMC employees, families and friends participated in the Copperhill/McCaysville Christmas Parade in December 2019.







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