



# Consolidated Electric Cooperative

Will be providing an opportunity for **TWO** junior grade level students to win an all-expense-paid trip to

## WASHINGTON D.C.

**Eligibility:** Any high school junior who lives in Consolidated Electric’s service area is eligible. Student’s home electrical service does not have to be served by the cooperative to enter the contest. The top two essay writers will win the opportunity to go to Washington, D.C. Two essay contest runners-up will be asked to attend the Cooperative Youth Conference and Leadership Experience (C.Y.C.L.E.) held in Jefferson City, MO. Consolidated Electric Cooperative employee and director children, grandchildren or family members are not eligible to participate.

**Judging:** Essays will be blind-judged by an outside panel, based on originality, understanding of the subject, adhering to the topic, neatness and grammar.

**Topic:** *What impact do environmental regulations have on electric cooperatives and their members?*

**Length:** 500 words, typed and double spaced with one-inch margins. No cover pages please.

**Dates:** Essays can be mailed or dropped off at Consolidated Electric Cooperative or emailed to [moetting@consolidatedelectric.com](mailto:moetting@consolidatedelectric.com) by 4:30 p.m., Friday, March 28, 2014. The Youth Tour trip will be June 13-19, 2014 and the C.Y.C.L.E. trip will be July 9-11, 2014.

**Expenses:** All expenses for each of the attendees to the Youth Tour and C.Y.C.L.E. conferences will be paid for by Consolidated Electric Cooperative.

**Reference material:** Reference material may be accessed by using [www.nreca.org](http://www.nreca.org), the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, [www.amec.org/youthtour.html](http://www.amec.org/youthtour.html), the Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives, [www.aeci.org](http://www.aeci.org), Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. and [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov), U.S. Department of Energy. Videos from previous year trip delegates can be viewed at [www.youthtour.coop](http://www.youthtour.coop). Any questions can be directed to Melanie Oetting at 573-581-3630.

You may want to make a copy of your essay, as the one submitted will not be returned.

**Please submit this form with your essay.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex **M / F**  
(Circle One)

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ How did you learn about YT? \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Permission:**

We give our son/daughter (please circle one) permission to enter the Consolidated Electric Youth Tour Essay Contest. He/She may participate in the Washington, D.C. Youth Tour or the Jefferson City CYCLE trip should they be a contest finalist.

Parent or Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

