



Pella Cooperative Electric Youth Tour Application

Please type or print legibly. This form must be received in the PCEA office no later than April 1, 2017:

Pella Cooperative Electric
Attn: Sue Warrick
P.O. Box 106
Pella, IA 50219

Details:

Pella Cooperative Electric will be sponsoring one student on an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. The student who is selected will join over 1,600 other students from across the country for the 2017 Youth Tour on June 9-15, 2017.

Participants will experience one incredible week at our nation’s capital! The agenda includes visiting historical sites, exploring the Smithsonian museum, meeting Iowa’s congressional leaders, spending a day on Capitol Hill, and cruising down the Potomac River. Participants will also learn about electric cooperatives and meet students from many other states on Rural Electric Youth Day.

Applicants must be high school students who are currently juniors. Their parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must be members of Pella Cooperative Electric – members are those who receive electric service from the Cooperative.

Applicant Information:

Name _____
Last First Middle

Address _____
Street City Zip Code

Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

High School _____
Name Current Grade

Email Address: _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Family Information:

Pella Cooperative Electric account number _____
(call 1-800-619-1040 if unsure)

Name as listed on Cooperative membership _____

Name of Applicant’s parents or legal guardians _____

Requirements:

Write an essay – one page, typed, double spaced – explaining why cooperatives are important and how the cooperative business model differs from other electric utilities (investor owned or municipals). Please include your name, age, current grade in high school, high school name, home address, phone number and email (if applicable) on the cover letter.

The Youth Tour winner will be asked to share their experience during a Pella Cooperative Electric Annual Meeting. He/She will be asked to prepare a brief summary (maximum of 15 minutes) about his/her Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C.

Applicants must complete this short questionnaire containing facts about Pella Cooperative Electric. Please circle the correct answer. Answers can be found in our website (www.pella-cea.org) or Facebook page (like our page).

<p>What charges are part of the monthly billing calculations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Distribution Cost Adjustment b) Energy Charge c) Facility Charge d) All of the above <p>Pella Cooperative Electric has a long standing commitment to be active within the communities we serve. We are not involved in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) College Scholarships b) Safety Presentations c) Tulip Time d) Co-op Connections Card <p>Which of the following products does Pella Cooperative Electric Offer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Water Heaters b) Gas Heaters c) Electric Grills d) Outdoor lights <p>Who is currently serving as Treasurer on the Board of Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Steve Inskeep b) Bryce Arkema c) Darrell Boot d) Duane Ver Ploeg <p>What year was Pella Cooperative Electric founded?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) 1970 b) 1936 c) 1954 d) 1963 	<p>What makes someone a member of Pella Cooperative Electric?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Anyone who receives electric service from Pella Cooperative Electric b) Anyone that is invited to our Annual Meeting and Member Appreciation Day. c) Anyone who receives a capital credit refund on their electric bill. d) All of the above <p>Pella Cooperative Electric is a Touchstone Energy Cooperative, making our members eligible for huge local and national discounts by using a certain card. What is the name of this card?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Pella Cooperative Electric Smart Cents b) Cooperative Discounts c) Co-op Connection d) Touchstone Energy Savers <p>Pella Cooperative Electric receives our electric power from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Basin Electric Power Cooperative b) Corn Belt Power Cooperative c) Central Iowa Power Cooperative d) Northeast Missouri Electric Power Cooperative <p>As the winner of the 2017 Youth Tour you will get to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Tour historic sites in Washington D.C. b) Take a cruise on the Potomac River c) Meet Iowa's members of Congress d) All of the above
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To complete your application, Pella Cooperative Electric must receive all of the following in one packet no later than April 1, 2017.

1. Completed application form
2. An essay – one paged typed, double spaced – explaining why cooperatives are important and how the Cooperative business model differs from other electric utilities.
3. Completed questionnaire about Pella Cooperative Electric
4. A cover letter stating why you are applying for the Youth Tour (5-8 lines). Please include your name, age, current grade in High school, high school name, home address, phone number and email (if applicable).

Finalist may be asked be interviewed in front of the Evaluation Committee to determine a winner. The time and date will be established at a later date.

All information supplied by the applicants will be considered confidential. The completed application and accompanying material will be retained by the Evaluation Committee as a permanent record of the applicant. **Only completed applications will be considered.**

Applicants will be evaluated based upon their essay explaining the cooperative business model and their answer to the question “Why are cooperatives important?” Evaluation will also be based upon the questionnaire.

If you have any questions regarding the application form or accompanying documents, please feel free to call:

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