Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative, Inc.
2027 Youth Tour Application Form

Student Full Name:_____

Mailing Address:_____

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Student Phone:_____

Student Email:_____

Date of Birth & Age:_____

High School Name & Grade:_____

Parent/Guardian Names:_____

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Parent Email & Phone:_____

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Parent/Guardian Permission Form

I/We give permission for _____ to apply for the 2026 Youth Tour trip with Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative.

We expect all students to follow the rules and meet behavior expectations throughout the trip. If a student is removed due to misconduct, parents/guardians will be responsible for arranging their return home and covering any associated costs.

Parent/Guardian Signature:_____

Student Signature:_____

Date:_____

School Activities
List clubs, sports, honors, or other high school activities you've been involved in.

Community Involvement
List your participating in 4-H, church, volunteering, and other community groups.

Tell Us Why!!

Tell us in a short paragraph why you want to be part of the Youth Tour, and what do you hope to gain from the experience?

References

Provide **two** references:

*One teacher

*one community leader (pastor, employer, coach, etc.)

Reference name and title _____Date:_____

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Important:

*Each reference will be required to send a recommendation letter directly to RBEC, either by email, mail or in person. The **only requirement** for the student is to obtain a **signature** from each reference, confirming they were asked to submit a letter on the student's behalf.*

Recommendation letters should be sent to: youthtour@rbec.coop

You will be notified if your application was denied for the following reasons: If you do not meet eligibility requirements, complete your application or are not a part of the top selected candidates.

Essay Topic

What is the greatest energy issue facing your generation, and how can youths be part of the solution?

- Essays must be typed, double-spaced, in 12 point font with 1-inch margins on all sides.
- Essays should be a minimum of 500 words long and no more than 750 words long.
- Essays must include a bibliography that contains all sources.
- Do not include your name on any portion of the essay.
- Essays will be judged on content, grammar, originality and creativity