

COLUMBUS' CURRENTS

CEC Seeking Next Generation of Leaders

What do 1,500 high school students, our nation's capital and electric cooperatives have in common? The Government-in-Action Youth Tour, of course!

The Youth Tour was established with one thought in mind – to inspire our next generation of leaders. Since 1964, more than 50,000 young Americans have taken advantage of this special opportunity offered by their electric cooperative. Every year in conjunction with the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Columbus Electric sponsors two students who are given the opportunity to travel to Washington, D.C. for an intensive weeklong tour – and it doesn't cost them a dime.

The Youth Tour takes place in June every year. High school students from across the county spend a week in the nation's capital learning about the cooperative business model and the role cooperative's play in developing strong rural communities. While in D.C., participants meet with their elected officials and discuss the issues that are important back home along with visiting monuments, museums and historical sights.

Without a doubt, the Youth Tour has grown into an invaluable program that gives young Americans an experience that will stay with them for the rest of their lives. Students have repeatedly shared that this experience has helped them grow into successful professionals. It has also benefited our local communities. Youth Tour participants return home with a deeper understanding of what it takes to be leader and a, and as a result, they put the knowledge gained and the skills they learned to use in our communities.

Help us find the next generation of leaders by sharing the Youth Tour experience with a promising student. If you are or know a high school junior or senior interested in traveling to Washington, D.C. to experience an all-expense-paid trip of a lifetime, applications will be available at the Columbus Electric office, Deming High School & Animas High School beginning October 1, 2018. For more information about Columbus Electric's Youth Tour program, call 575-546-8838 or visit www.columbusco-op.org.



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AUTUMN CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Autumn is finally here! Complete the crossword puzzle below by filling in the Autumn words that fit the clues. If you need help, use the word bank at the bottom of the page.



ACROSS

1. Fruit you bob for.
3. This is a fun outing that usually takes place in autumn and can be enjoyed from a wagon, truck or trailer - as long as it's filled with hay.
5. These are orange and can be carved to decorate your home during Halloween.
6. These change colors during autumn months.

DOWN

2. These fall from oak trees and squirrels love to collect them.
4. This is what most people eat on Thanksgiving Day.

LEAVES
PUMPKINS
HAYRIDE
APPLE
TURKEY
ACORNS

Word Bank



Kiosk Promotion coming in November

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