

DAKOTA ENERGY COOPERATIVE

Your Ticket to Washington, D.C.

2027 RURAL ELECTRIC YOUTH TOUR

Dakota Energy will sponsor two local high school juniors or seniors on an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C. Each June, more than 1,800 students take part in this week long experience, exploring the nation's capital and learning about government.

Tour highlights include the U.S. Capitol, Lincoln Memorial, and Arlington National Cemetery, plus a briefing with South Dakota's congressional delegation and a cruise on the Potomac River. The South Dakota Rural Electric Association (SDREA) coordinates the trip for South Dakota participants.



WHO CAN APPLY?

High school juniors and seniors living in Beadle, Hand, or Hyde County, South Dakota.

Cooperative membership is not required.

APPLY BY

December 1, 2026

The selected student will be notified by December 31, 2026.

2027 YOUTH TOUR APPLICATION

Student name: _____

Student's cell phone: _____ Student email: _____

School: _____ Year in School: ☐ Junior ☐ Senior

Parent/guardian name(s): _____

Parent/guardian cell phone: _____ Parent/guardian email: _____

INCLUDE WITH YOUR APPLICATION

- ☐ Completed application
- ☐ A written paragraph on what you expect to gain from the trip to Washington D.C.
- ☐ Two teacher recommendations

HOW TO SUBMIT

Email: info@dakotaenergy.coop

Mail: Dakota Energy Cooperative,
PO Box 830, Huron, SD 57350

Drop off: Dakota Energy's Huron or Miller office

Questions? 605-352-8591

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