



2026 Youth Tour Application

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

High School _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____

Email Address _____

Parent or Guardian Name _____

Consolidated Cooperative Account Number _____

Application Process and Requirements

Watch the video about cooperatives at www.ohioec.org/orientation and answer the true/false questions attached to this application. Then, answer question 19 in the space provided.

Submit a letter of recommendation from a guidance counselor, principal, teacher, or community or organizational advisor.

This form, along with the completed test and letter of recommendation must be received (not postmarked) in our office by **Friday, February 13, 2026**:

Consolidated Cooperative
Attn: Amber Moreland/Youth Tour
5255 State Route 95
Mount Gilead, Ohio 43338

You may also email this form, the completed test and letter of recommendation to youthtour@consolidated.coop

Parent or guardian permission to participate in the Youth Tour to Washington (June 14-20, 2026) is required.

If you have questions concerning the Youth Tour program or this test, please contact us at youthtour@consolidated.coop, or call us at 800-421-5863.

Finalists may be interviewed to determine the two local winners.



Test on Cooperative Knowledge

**Questions are based on the online orientation program located at www.ohioec.org/orientation.
Please check the correct answer for each question.**

1. President Theodore Roosevelt and the Supreme Court established the Rural Electrification Administration.

☐ True

☐ False

2. Seventy-seven of Ohio's 88 counties are served by electric cooperatives.

☐ True

☐ False

3. Only farms are served by electric cooperatives.

☐ True

☐ False

4. Co-op members must pass a test before joining an electric cooperative.

☐ True

☐ False

5. There are seven principles that guide electric cooperatives.

☐ True

☐ False

6. Co-op members elect their electric cooperative's board trustees.

☐ True

☐ False

7. Co-op trustees can change the cooperative's bylaws without notifying the members.

☐ True

☐ False

8. Co-op trustees must protect the cooperative and the interests of all members, and they also must ensure the cooperative operates in accordance with local, state, and federal laws.

☐ True

☐ False

9. Electric co-ops' foundation as democratic institutions ensures that they adapt to new circumstances as their memberships grow and evolve.

☐ True

☐ False



10. Every year, at co-ops' annual meetings there is a lottery for the co-ops' leftover money.

☐ True

☐ False

11. Capital credits represent each member's investment in the cooperative and are used to improve the distribution system.

☐ True

☐ False

12. There are nearly 1,000 electric cooperatives across the United States.

☐ True

☐ False

13. Electric cooperatives' boards of directors/trustees own the co-ops.

☐ True

☐ False

14. In the state of Ohio, electric cooperatives are subject to the regulatory authority of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).

☐ True

☐ False

15. The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) is the national association for electric co-ops.

☐ True

☐ False

16. Buckeye Power provides wholesale base-load power, renewable energy options, marketing services, and electric grid management services to electric cooperatives in Ohio.

☐ True

☐ False

17. Local electric co-ops require their members' children to participate in co-op youth programs so they learn not to waste energy.

☐ True

☐ False

18. Ohio's electric co-ops rarely provide grants to causes like food banks, community fire departments, schools, animal shelters, and parks because these things have nothing to do with electricity.

☐ True

☐ False



Essay Portion: Please answer question 19 using the space provided.

19. Why are you interested in attending Youth Tour? Why do you think you should be selected as a Youth Tour Delegate? (Consider passions and interests, leadership experience, achievements, etc.)

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