

SEC Youth Tour to Williamsburg/Richmond/Norfolk

June 20-24, 2022

Application Deadline: April 1, 2022

Several students will be chosen by Southside Electric Cooperative to attend the **all-expenses-paid** trip to the 2022 Youth Tour to Williamsburg and surrounding area. About 50 high school juniors from Virginia, Maryland and Delaware will see the sights in and around Virginia's colonial capital, including the historic area, Busch Gardens, Jamestown and Yorktown. Richmond is just an hour west, and Norfolk/Virginia Beach is only an hour east. Accompanied by two-dozen electric co-op chaperones, the students will also hear from state government leaders, learn about electric cooperatives and make many new friends. Organizers are now confirming destinations and working out trip details while keeping an eye on pandemic developments and restrictions related to visiting tourist sites. Everyone's safety is top priority!

Youth Tour contestant rules:

- Any high school junior who lives and attends school (or homeschool) within SEC's service area is
 eligible to apply. Students' parents or guardians do not have to receive electricity from SEC.
- Competition includes filling out an application and submitting a written essay of no more than 500 words explaining why you would be a good candidate to represent SEC on the 2022 Youth Tour.
- See www.sec.coop/YouthTour for application and more information.
- Entry forms and essays must be received at the Cooperative's headquarters in Crewe by Friday, April 1. Students must be available for virtual or in-person interviews the week of April 11-15.

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NOTE: SEC and other Virginia, Maryland and Delaware electric cooperatives are holding their own Youth Tour this summer instead of taking part in the national event due to many of the restrictions still in place in Washington, D.C., because of the pandemic.