



Join us for... the trip of a LIFETIME

Are you ready to embark on an unforgettable journey? SCEC is thrilled to offer two incredible leadership experiences for high school juniors: the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour in Washington, D.C., and the Cooperative Youth Leadership Camp near Steamboat Springs, CO. We will select two students for an all-expenses-paid trip during the summer of 2026! These incredible opportunities will enhance your leadership skills, introduce you to new friends, and provide experiences filled with thrills and adventure!

Youth Tour: Washington, DC June 13-19, 2026

Youth Leadership Camp: Steamboat Springs, CO July 10-16, 2026

What's Included: All transportation, meals, accommodations, and activities—everything you need for an amazing experience!

To apply for this exciting trip, you must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a high school junior (11th grade) during the 2025-2026 academic year.
2. Parent/Guardian must be a member of Sumner-Cowley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

To complete your application, please provide the following:

1. Personal Information (please include a wallet-sized photo of yourself)

Full Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

High School Name _____

Trip Preference If Selected (not guaranteed) _____

2. Academic Information (please attach current high school transcript)

GPA (Grade Point Average) _____

List of any honors, awards, or extracurricular activities

3. Leadership Experience

Describe any leadership roles you have held in school, community, or extracurricular activities.

4. Essays (Choose one and attach to this application)

**Essay questions can be submitted in writing or through video responses. If you choose to submit a video, please send it via email to tannerf@sucocoop.com or share it through Facebook private messenger on the Sumner-Cowley Electric Cooperative, Inc. page. Written answers should be 150-300 words and video responses should be 2-5 minutes.*

1) What is the difference between being a boss and being a leader?

2) Think of three fictional characters that you think are good leaders. What qualities make them good leaders?

5. Character Question-Video Submission

**Video submissions can be sent via email to tannerf@sucocoop.com or share it through Facebook private messenger on the Sumner-Cowley Electric Cooperative, Inc. page.*

Teach us something, anything you're passionate about, in less than two minutes.

6. Letters of Recommendation

Provide two letters of recommendation from a teacher, community leader, neighbor, employer or mentor who can speak to your leadership abilities and character.

Submission Instructions

- Complete the application form and attach all required documents.
- Applications must be submitted electronically or postmarked by **January 16, 2026**.
 - If selected, notifications will be made by phone.

- Send your application to:

Sumner-Cowley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Attn: Tanner Ford

PO Box 220

Wellington, KS 67152

For questions regarding the application process, please contact:

Tanner Ford

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Get excited for an adventure that could change your life! We can't wait to see your application and support you on this incredible journey! Thank you for considering this once in a lifetime opportunity with Sumner-Cowley Electric Cooperative. Together, let's build a brighter future for our rural communities!