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## Youth Tour 2026

Dates: June 15-20, 2026

The essay topics for the Youth Tour are:

Why do you want to be Kandiyohi Power Cooperative's delegate for the Youth Tour of Washington D.C.?

Electric cooperatives are built on the principle of "Concern for Community." How have you demonstrated this value in your own life, and how would you carry it forward as a youth tour delegate?

How do you believe participating in the Youth Tour will help you grow personally and academically – especially in understanding energy, public policy, or community service? What unique perspectives or goals would you bring to this experience as a delegate of your cooperative?

**Date online application must be submitted to Kandiyohi Power Cooperative:** February 6, 2026 – Contact Kandiyohi Power Cooperative for details. Online applications can be found at www.kpcoop.com.

## YOUTH TOUR CONTEST RULES

- 1. The student must currently be a sophomore or junior in high school during the 2025-2026 school year. Students are required to complete an online application and essays by February 6, 2026. The application has three sections: personal information, achievements and essays.
- 2. Student cannot be a prior winner of the youth tour.
- 3. The student and parent or guardian must be served by Kandiyohi Power Cooperative at their primary residence. Dependents of Kandiyohi Power Cooperative employees or directors are not eligible to participate.
- 4. Youth Tour winner requirements
  - a. Must be a high school sophomore or junior during the 2025-2026 school year and younger than 19 as of June 1, 2026.
  - b. Must be able to participate in the Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C. June 15-20, 2026. Must be able to ride in a car or bus for extended periods of time.
  - c. Must be able to fly in an airplane and provide a valid Minnesota driver's license or Minnesota stateissued ID card.

- d. Must agree to reasonably assist KPC in presentations and/or news articles promoting the Youth Tour program.
- e. Must have parent/guardian give KPC written permission, photo waiver and a waiver of release for their student to participate in the Youth Tour.
- f. KPC reserves the right to select the runner up or another contestant for the Youth Tour trip if the winner is unable to participate.
- g. Must be served by Kandiyohi Power Cooperative at your primary residence.