

Inland Power & Light Youth Tour Application

NATIONAL RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
ASSOCIATION YOUTH TOUR PROGRAM

JUNE 14-21, 2026



PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- To educate rural youth about cooperative principles.
- To educate youth in the principles and practices of the American democratic system.
- To promote rural electrification and educate youth about rural electric cooperatives.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to be considered:

1. The student must be a high school junior.
2. The student or their parents or guardians must be Inland Power members at the time of application and selection.
3. The student must be receiving good grades and be able to get along well with other people. Verification of grades needs to be signed by your school counselor.

APPLICATIONS

1. The co-op will provide information packets and applications to eligible students either through school counselors or through Inland Power & Light.
2. Interested students must submit applications by the deadline date of Jan, 15, 2026.
3. Along with their application the student must submit a 500-600 word essay entitled "The importance of hydropower in the Northwest."
4. There can be up to five finalists chosen for the interview process. Interviews will be scheduled for the week of January 26 to 29, 2026. Following the interview of the five finalists, two students will be selected. The selected students will represent Inland Power & Light as representatives of the Washington state delegation at the 2026 NRECA Youth Tour in Washington D.C.

Please email completed applications to communityfoundation@inlandpower.com. All emailed documents must be in **PDF form**. Images and screenshots of documents will not be accepted.

You can also mail or deliver your complete application to the following:

MAILING ADDRESS

Inland Power & Light
Attn: Youth Tour
PO Box A
Spokane, WA 99219-5000

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

Inland Power & Light
10110 W Hallett Rd.
Spokane, WA 99224

**Regardless of delivery method, all
applications are due by
Wednesday Jan. 15, 2026**

APPLICATION EVALUATION

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| • Essay | 35% |
| • Scholastic Record | 15% |
| • School, Community, Leadership Activities | 25% |
| <u>The five highest scoring applicants will reach the interview process</u> | |
| • Interview | 25% |

SELECTED YOUTH TOUR STUDENTS

- Will travel to Washington D.C. to attend the NRECA Youth Tour June 14 to 21, 2026.
- Have the opportunity to compete against other Washington state participants to be chosen as the state representative on the Youth Leadership Council.
- Will attend the 2026 Inland Power annual meeting to be recognized as a Youth Tour attendee.

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APPLICATION FORM

Students please provide the following information and send with the requested application requirements. Decisions and awards will be made by committee members of the Inland Power Community Foundation. All decisions are final.

Name of applicant/student (First, Middle, Last): _____

Date of birth: _____ Home Schooled? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Name of member (parent/guardian): _____

Inland Power membership number: _____

Failure to provide member number will result in this application being disqualified

Address: _____

City, state, zip: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

High School: _____ High School Phone Number: _____

High School Address: _____

City, state, zip: _____

Principal's Name: _____ Counselor's Name: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ I certify this applicant's cumulative GPA.

Counselor's signature: _____

Parent's signature if home schooled: _____

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Please list extra-curricular activities you have been or currently are involved (choir, drama, sports, etc.):

Please list any Honors or Awards you have received, both in and out of school:

Please list any leadership offices held both in and out of school:

Please list any work history (this would include any farm activities, agricultural projects, 4-H, FBLA, FFA, etc.)

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Please list any career goals you have set for yourself:

I am a high school junior and my parent(s) and or guardian(s) are receiving electrical service from Inland Power & Light. I understand that I am required to submit a 500-600 word essay entitled: "The importance of hydropower in the Northwest." I have read and understand that my application and essay are to be submitted together to Inland Power & Light no later than Jan. 15, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. or I will not be considered for the Youth Tour program. I will need to be available during the week of January 26 to 29, 2026 for a scheduled interview to be done by a panel selected by Inland Power & Light.

I understand that, if selected to represent Inland Power & Light at the 2026 Youth Tour, I will do my best to attend the 2026 Inland Power & Light annual meeting.

I understand that if I am involved in a disciplinary incident at the Youth Tour, it could result in my parent(s) or guardian(s) being required to immediately purchase a last-minute airline ticket home.

I understand the if I am selected to represent Inland Power & Light and, for some unforeseen reason, I am not able to attend the 2026 Youth Tour, I must notify Inland Power & Light immediately.

I have read and agree to the terms listed above. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Applicant's signature

Date

I have read and agree to the terms listed above. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Parent or Guardian's signature

Date