# Washington Youth Tour 2014



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# My Initiative to Apply

\* My inspiration for applying for the Washington Youth Tour was my parents. They told me that I should apply because I may not get another opportunity like this.

# My Essay

\* In my essay I explained how electricity is helpful and how you could reduce electric use by using energy saving light bulbs, unplugging appliances that are not in use, and by air drying your clothes.



Light Emitted Diode Bulb (LED)



Compact Florescent Bulb (CFL)





### What is the Washington Youth Tour?

Over 1,600 students from around the United States are selected each year to participate in a week long trip to Washington, D.C., where students have the opportunity to meet their **United States** Representative and Senators. Students also get to visit museums, memorials, monuments, and listen to speakers talk about roles the electric cooperatives have on the community on Youth Day.





## My First Experience in DC

On the first day in DC, we went to Fort McHenry. We watched a video on the War of 1812 and how Francis Scott Key was inspired to write the Star Spangled Banner. We then explored Fort McHenry. Then we went to the National Cathedral. It was really big and had a lot of details. We went on **Embassy Row where we got** to see the congressional buildings. Then we went to the congressional insight at the hotel.







# Day 1 continued

\* The White House serves as a workplace and a home for all presidents, from John Adams in 1800 to Barack Obama. **Although George** Washington had the idea to build the White House it was not finished before he died.



\* The second day we went to **Arlington National** Cemetery. We visited Ira Hayes' grave. He was from the Gila River Reservation. He also helped raise the flag on Iwo Jima during World War II. We also saw Lori Piestewa's uniform. She was the first Native American woman to die in combat.





# Day 2 continued

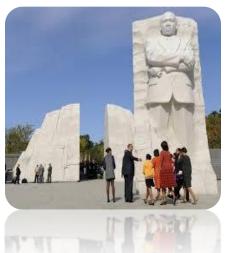
- \* Madame Tussaud was born in Strasbourg, France in 1761. Her father was a German soldier. He was killed in battle before her birth. When she was six, she and her mother moved to Paris. She worked as a housekeeper for a man who was a doctor and wax molder.
- \* Then we got to go to any museum. We went to the Natural History Museum.





# Day 2 continued

**MLK Memorial** 





**FDR Memorial** 

**Jefferson Memorial** 



**Mount Vernon was where** George Washington lived and where his tomb is at. **After visiting Mount** Vernon we ate lunch at Gatsby's Tavern. From there we went to the **USMC Museum. Then we** ended the day with **Toby's Dinner Theatre. It** was a play about Shrek.









\* Youth Day was where all the states gathered and listened to speakers. They provided insight on the roles electric cooperatives have on communities. Then we visited Iwo Jima Memorial and the Capitol building.







# Day 4 continued

#### **WWII Memorial**



**Washington Monument** 



**Korean War Memorial** 



**Lincoln Memorial** 



**Vietnam War Memorial** 



**Holocaust Museum** 

**U.S. History Museum** 





**Military Parade** 



#### **Congressional visit**



#### **Native American Museum**



**Olive Grove** 



\* When we came back I was happy not to be in the humidity, but at the same time I was going to miss the new friends that I made. I am thankful that I got to enjoy this learning experience with many other students.

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