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Minnesota Electric Cooperatives to Participate in 56th Electric Cooperative Youth Tour

ORONOCO, MN, January 18, 2022 — High school students from across Minnesota will travel to Washington, D.C. this summer to join more than 1,900 other students from around the nation for the 2022 Electric Cooperative Youth Tour. This year, the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour celebrates its 56th anniversary and will be held June 14-19.

"The Youth Tour is a once in a lifetime opportunity and we're proud to send our best and brightest to Washington, D.C. to participate," said Gwen Stevens, director of cooperative relations. "These students will gain a first-hand glimpse of the legislative process and make connections with others from across the country that will last a lifetime. Our youth are the future for our community and our country, and we can give them the tools to succeed. We look forward to this year's trip and continuing the Youth Tour tradition for many years to come."

Students on the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour will participate in leadership training, engage in one-on-one conversations with elected officials, jumpstart their national peer network, and tour Washington, D.C.

The Electric Cooperative Youth Tour has brought high school students to Washington, D.C. for over 50 years and nearly 50,000 students have participated in this program. Interested high school juniors and seniors must apply and are selected by the Cooperative. Applications are due Friday, March 4 by 4 pm. This opportunity is fully sponsored by People's Energy Cooperative. For more information and a link to the application, visit www.peoplesenergy.coop/education-programs.

About People's Energy Cooperative

People's Energy Cooperative is a member-owned electric cooperative celebrating over 80 years of delivering retail electric power to its nearly 20,000 consumer-members in Olmsted, Dodge, Fillmore, Mower, Wabasha, and Winona Counties. People's Energy Cooperative is a Touchstone Energy® cooperative and a member-owner in the Dairyland Power system of electric cooperatives that generates and transmits reliable electric power in 62 counties of

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