
POLICY BULLETIN NO. 904

SUBJECT:

MECA Washington D.C. Youth Tour Essay Contest

OBJECTIVE:

To educate our youth and to give them the opportunity to see and experience first-hand our American History, how our Government works and learn about Electric Cooperatives.

POLICY:

The following clarifies procedures for determining essay winners and provides an opportunity for employee's minor dependents to participate in the Youth Tour essay contest as long as their parent/guardian are members of LYREC.

All essays without reference to or identity of the author will be judged by a panel of judges. The judges shall rank in order the top four essays. The panel will take the individual rankings and collectively rank the top four.

- **If the #1 essay is written by a minor dependent of a non-employee member**, it will be forwarded to MECA to participate in the statewide competition. If this essay does not win at the state level, LYREC will pay for and send that essay author on the Washington D.C Youth Tour. If the #1 essay wins at the MECA state competition level, then LYREC will pay for and send the author of #2 essay to Washington.
- **If the #1 essay is written by a minor dependent of an employee member**, then LYREC will send that author to Washington and forward the highest ranked essay from the non-employee group to MECA. If the essay from the non-employee member group wins at the MECA state competition, that author will go to Washington for the Youth Tour. If the essay does not win, LYREC will not pay for or send the author on the Youth Tour.

RESPONSIBILITY:

Member Service Manager is responsible for getting essays judged and results sent to MECA.