

Government-In-Action Youth Tour

The Rural Electric Youth Tour is a group of more than one thousand high school students who visit Washington, D.C. every June, year after year from all over America. They come because the people who lead electric cooperatives believe education is important – education about electric cooperatives and education about America.

Students on the tour learn about electric cooperatives, American history and U.S. government. They visit with their representatives in the House and the Senate. They see historical sites in and around Washington—the U.S. Capitol, the monuments, the Smithsonian, Arlington Cemetery, Mt. Vernon and countless other places—and they learn about the cooperative business model.

Central NM Electric Coop is proud to join 38 states in sponsoring the annual Youth Tour. Our Trustees have committed to sponsoring five students annually chosen from high schools in our service territory. The five delegates receive an all expense paid trip to Washington D.C. This includes roundtrip airfare, lodging, and much more. The next Government-In-Action Youth Tour will be held June 13-19, 2009. The New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperative in Santa Fe, NM coordinates with each winner from around the state. They make all the arrangements for the tour such as: acquiring insurance coverage, making hotel reservations, airplane reservations, preparing an agenda, scheduling congressional appointments, printing and other details.

Requirements:

- 1. Must be a dependent of a Central NM Electric Coop member and reside in our service territory.**
- 2. Must be a high school sophomore, junior or senior (age 16-19).**
- 3. Must complete the CNMEC application and turn it in by January 15 of the applicable year.**

**The CNMEC Government-In-Action Youth Tour Winners for 2010
are:**

**Fernando Najera of Carrizozo
Miranda Millar of Estancia
Elizabeth Carpio of Moriarty
Ruben Archuleta of Mountainair
Mariah Madrid of Vaughn**

Congratulations!

**Click Here for the [2010 CNMEC Youth Tour Application](#) or contact your
high school counselor.**

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