

2018 Government-in-Action Youth Tour

Visit Washington, D.C., the Texas State Capitol
and the Bullock Texas State History Museum
and receive a \$1,000 scholarship



Bluebonnet
Electric Cooperative

Deadline Jan. 19, 2018

Applications at bluebonnet.coop

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COMPETITION RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible, students must:

- Be in the 10th, 11th or 12th grade.
- Reside in the home of a parent or legal guardian who is a current Bluebonnet member with an active account and whose primary residence is within the outer boundaries of Bluebonnet's service area (including city limits that are within those outer boundaries); attached affidavit must be completed and signed before a notary public by parent or legal guardian.
- Participate in the tour to Washington, D.C., the Texas State Capitol and the Bullock Texas State History Museum June 6-15, 2018.
- Submit a completed application form and one original letter of recommendation to Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative at a Member Service Center in Bastrop, Brenham, Giddings, Lockhart or Manor or postmarked by **5 p.m. Jan. 19, 2018**.
- Attend an oral presentation and personal interview Monday, Feb. 12, 2018, at 6 p.m. at Bluebonnet's Headquarters, 155 Electric Ave., Bastrop.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Applications will be considered when all of the following information has been received by Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, either in person or postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, 2018. No handwritten entries will be accepted. Entry must include:

1. A typed, completed and signed 2018 Bluebonnet Government-in-Action Youth Tour application.
2. One original letter of recommendation (i.e., from a teacher, civic leader, clergy member or employer). *No form letters, please.*
3. A copy of current high school transcript.
4. A list of awards and school activities (high school only).
5. Photograph release form, signed.
6. Affidavit of Parent, Legal Guardian, or Primary Managing Conservator, signed & notarized.

Application is available at bluebonnet.coop (click on Community, then Scholarships).

Submit all the above at a Member Service Center or mail to:

Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Attn: Karen Urban, P.O. Box 729, Bastrop, TX 78602

Deadline: 5 p.m. Jan. 19, 2018

All information received by the Government Youth Tour Committee is strictly confidential. The committee reserves the right to require verification of all information provided by the applicant, if deemed necessary.

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APPLICATION

Deadline: 5 p.m. Jan. 19, 2018

Applicant's name (last, first, middle): _____

Date of birth: _____

Home address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP code: _____ County: _____

Primary phone number: _____ Applicant's cell phone number: _____

Applicant's email address: _____

Father/Guardian name: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Mother/Guardian name: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Name on Bluebonnet account (must be parent or legal guardian):

Bluebonnet member's account number: _____

Bluebonnet member's relationship to applicant: _____

Name of high school: _____

Expected high school graduation date: _____

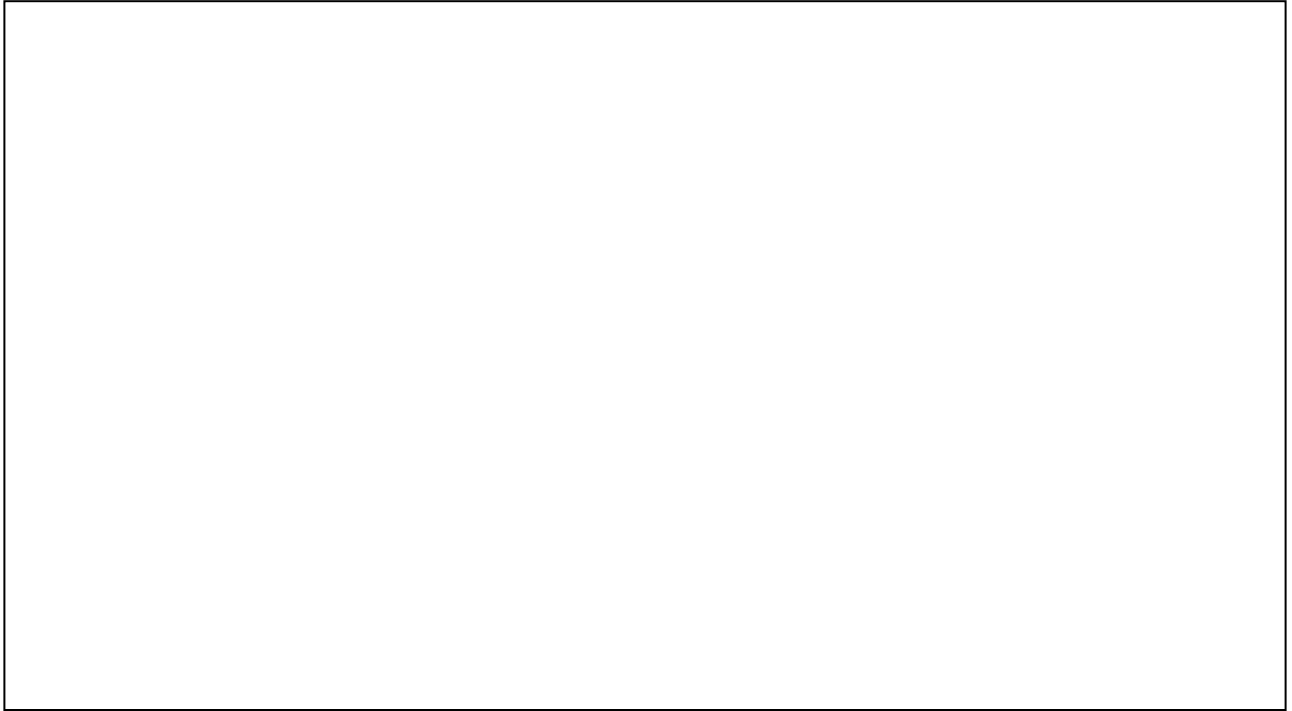
ALL BLANKS MUST BE COMPLETED

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN THE SPACE PROVIDED
IN 150 WORDS OR LESS


Who represents you in the U.S. Senate and U.S. House? (Please give names, district number as applicable and a few facts about each.)

Identify and explain the three branches of government, in your own words.

What national monument, museum or landmark in Washington, D.C., would you like to see, and why?



What is your favorite nonprofit organization, and why?



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APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Application is *not* complete without the following:

- Completed 2018 Bluebonnet Government-in-Action Youth Tour application and typed essays, signed by applicant & parent/legal guardian. **No handwritten applications accepted.**
- One original letter of recommendation — no form letters, please.
- Copy of current high school transcript.
- List of awards and school activities (high school only).
- Photo release form, signed.
- Affidavit of Parent, Legal Guardian, or Primary Managing Conservator, signed & notarized.

Applicant must participate in the tour to Washington, D.C., the Texas State Capitol and the Bullock Texas State History Museum, June 6-15, 2018.

Applicant must participate in the oral presentation and interview at 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12, 2018, at Bluebonnet's Headquarters, 155 Electric Ave., Bastrop. Winners will be announced shortly after the oral presentations and interviews are completed.

I agree to permit the review of this application by members of the Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative Government-in-Action Youth Tour Committee.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

**Submit completed Government-in-Action Youth Tour Application at a Bluebonnet
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Applications must be complete with all required attachments included. Incomplete and/or handwritten applications will be disqualified. No late applications will be accepted. The \$1,000 scholarship is awarded during the recipient's senior year and is made payable directly to the school of his or her choice.



PHOTOGRAPH RELEASE FORM

For good and valuable consideration, the full receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I grant to BLUEBONNET ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., ("Bluebonnet") permission to take and publish photographs of me and/or the minor child or children listed below and/or of property owned by me, including photographs taken with others, and to allow Bluebonnet to use, re-use, publish and re-publish the photographs, in whole or in part, individually or in connection with other material, in Bluebonnet-related editorial, promotional or marketing materials in any and all media, including the Internet, Bluebonnet's website, online and video-based marketing materials, as well as other publications published, endorsed or sponsored by Bluebonnet, whether in print form, online, or any other magnetic, optical, electronic and online form of publication or transmission, without restriction as to alteration, and to own all rights to said photograph(s).

I acknowledge and agree that the photographs taken by Bluebonnet are taken with my voluntary consent and that neither I or any minor child listed below will receive financial compensation of any type associated with taking or publication of the photographs or participation in Bluebonnet marketing materials or other Bluebonnet publications, and that the publication of said photographs confers no rights of ownership or royalties to me or said minor child or minor children whatsoever.

I represent and certify that I am of legal age. I represent that I have full authority to execute this Release Form. I release and hold Bluebonnet harmless from any reasonable expectation of privacy or confidentiality for me or the minor child and children listed below associated with the photographs. I fully release Bluebonnet from any and all claims and demands that may arise out of or in connection with the use of the photographs, including without limitation, claims for libel or violation of any right of publicity or privacy. If a minor child is listed below, I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian and have full authority to execute this release on behalf of each minor child listed below and agree that we both shall be bound thereby. I certify that I am not under any legal disability and that I have read the foregoing carefully and fully understand the contents and meaning of this release. This authorization and release shall inure to the benefit of Bluebonnet, its successors, assigns, legal representatives, and licensees and shall be binding upon me and my heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

Date: _____

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

Names & Ages of Minor Children: _____

Relationship to Minor Children: _____

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF _____

**AFFIDAVIT OF PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR
PRIMARY MANAGING CONSERVATOR**

On this day, _____ (*printed name of Parent, Legal Guardian, or Primary Managing Conservator*) appeared before me, the undersigned notary public, and after being sworn on his/her oath, stated the following:

“1. My name is _____ (*printed name of Parent, Legal Guardian, or Primary Managing Conservator*). I am over the age of 18 years, and I am competent to make this affidavit.

2. I am a member in good standing of Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc., and my primary residence is in the service territory of Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc.

3. I am the _____ (*parent/legal guardian/primary managing conservator*) and have primary custody and control of _____ (*printed name of child*) who is applying for the 2018 Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative Government-in-Action Youth Tour.

4. _____ (*printed name of child*) lives with me full time at _____ (*complete mail and street address*) in _____ County, Texas.

5. I have no current plans to move out of the Cooperative’s service territory.

6. I authorize Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc. to take and use photographs of _____ (*printed name of child*) in various publications if awarded the 2018 Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative Government-in-Action Youth Tour.”

Signature of Affiant

Printed Name of Affiant

SUBSCRIBED, SWORN TO AND ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE ME, by
_____ on this the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public, State of Texas