

2025 ESSAY ENTRY FORM

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Parent's Name(s) _____ Sophomore/Junior _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ School _____ Email _____

Rules:

Students Eligible:

The contest is open to ALL high school sophomores and juniors attending a high school located within the Farmers' Electric Cooperative service area, which includes the counties of: Caldwell, Carroll, Chariton, Clinton, Daviess, Dekalb, Livingston, Linn or Ray.
***STUDENTS DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF FARMERS' ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE TO ENTER AN ESSAY.**

Essay Details:

- Submit a typed essay, 400-600 words in length on the topic listed.
- Use ONLY the main subject title on your essay.
- Please **DO NOT** include your name on the essay.

Submission:

- Essays must be in the Cooperative office or postmarked no later than 4:30 p.m. Friday, January 17, 2025.
- All submissions must be accompanied by this entry form.
- Essays may be dropped off or mailed to:
Farmers' Electric Cooperative
Attn: Keara Hopper
201 W. Business 36
Chillicothe, MO 64601
- Essays may also be emailed to: keara@fec-co.com

Essay Topics:

Sophomores: "The necessity of electricity is most felt in its absence. Describe a day without electricity."

Juniors: "Explain the difference between an electric company and an electric cooperative."

Judging:

A judging committee will select the finalist from the essays submitted. The essays will be judged on the following basis:

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| ✓ Understanding of the Subject | 35% |
| ✓ Originality | 35% |
| ✓ Adhering to the Topic | 15% |
| ✓ Composition, neatness, and grammar | 15% |



Two junior class finalists will be chosen by a panel of judges for the Youth Tour. Three sophomore class finalists will be chosen for the C.Y.C.L.E. conference. The winners will be announced in February of 2025. These are all-expense paid experiences are provided by Farmers' Electric Cooperative. Farmers' Electric will provide all transportation, including picking up and returning the student to his or her residence, if needed.

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