2027 ESSAY ENTRY FORM

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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, Harrison, 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, 250-500 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 15, 2027.
- 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: (Choose ONE)

If you could spend one day with any American from history, who would you choose and what would you ask?

If you were given $100,000 to make your community a better place, how would you spend it?"

What is something adults don't understand about being a teenager today?

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

✓ Originality	50%
✓ Adhering to the Topic	25%
✓ Composition, neatness, and grammar	25%

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 late February of 2027. 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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