

2026 Government-in-Action Youth Tour

Contest Entry Form

Fort Belknap Electric Cooperative, Inc. will award an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. for one area high school youth. Contest winners will join other winners from across Texas for an unforgettable and exciting tour of our nation's capital June 14th through June 21st, 2026

Contest rules and eligibility requirements:

The contest is open to high school students in grades 10 through 12 who reside in the general service area of Fort Belknap Electric Cooperative. This area includes the counties of Young, Archer, Throckmorton, Jack, Stephens, Shackelford, and Palo Pinto.

Each contestant will submit an essay of their own original composition not to exceed 500 words on the subject "*What is the greatest gift, material or non-material, that you have ever received? How has that gift changed your life, and how might you give to someone in the same way?*" The contestant must not write his/her name on the essay. On a separate sheet attached to the essay, the contestant must write his/her name, parents' name(s) and addresses, your school's name, and your telephone number. An independent committee will select the winning essays on the basis of originality, composition, neatness, grammar, and the ability to accurately follow instructions.

The top five contestants will be selected for final judging and interviews will be held. One winner will be selected from all submitted entries and will be notified following the final judging. One runner-up will be selected in the event the winner cannot make the trip.

If you have any questions or need additional information please call (940) 564-3526

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____, TX Zip Code: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Telephone Numbers: Home _____ Applicant's cell _____

Applicant's e-mail: _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: M F

School Attending: _____ Grade: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Entry Deadline:

Friday, January 23, 2026

Entry Forms should be forwarded as soon as possible to:

Fort Belknap Electric Cooperative, inc.

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