

FOUNDATION FOR RURAL SERVICE

# YOUTH TOUR TO WASHINGTON D.C.

May 31 - June 4, 2023

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Program Information and  
Application Form

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Application Deadline: Friday, March 31, 2023



### **Eligibility**

Applicant's parents must be SkyLine members or SkyBest Communications telephone or broadband service customers of at least one year, and family must reside full-time in the companies' service area. Two area high school juniors will be sponsored this year.

### **Other Program Requirements**

1. Be a high school junior in SkyLine's five-county service area (Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Watauga or Johnson).
2. Have at least a 3.25 grade-point-average (GPA).
3. Exhibit demonstrated leadership in campus organizations.
4. Exhibit demonstrated interest in community through volunteer activities.

### **Application Requirements**

1. Complete a Youth Tour application.
2. Include with your application a brief letter, which states why you would like to attend and what your plans are beyond high school.
3. Include with your application a letter of recommendation from a teacher, youth leader or school official.
4. Write an essay of up to 300 words that addresses one of the following topics:
  - a. SkyLine is a member-owned telecommunications cooperative. What are the basic differences between a cooperative and other types of business. What is your general impression of SkyLine, based on your own knowledge and your review of information about the company that is included on its website ([www.skybest.com](http://www.skybest.com))?
  - b. What is your opinion of social media and its impact on society? Are there aspects of social media that have been beneficial to you?
5. Return these items, along with a recent school photograph of yourself, to your school counselor by Friday, March 31, 2023.

*NOTE: Children of SkyLine employees and directors are ineligible for consideration.*

### **Transportation Arrangements**

In addition to full sponsorship of the tour for two students, SkyLine will pay the airfare tickets to and from Washington, D.C. Additionally, the cooperative will provide \$75 to each of the participants to cover incidental expenses during their trip to Washington, D.C.

### **For More Information**

Contact: Your school counselor or SkyLine at (336) 877-1350 or (800) 759-2226.

# 2023 Youth Tour Application

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Home Telephone # ( ) Cell Telephone # ( )

Email Address Your T-shirt/Sweatshirt size

High School County of Residence

Name  
Last First Middle

Address  
Street Box City State Zip

Age Date of Birth Sex: M F Married Single

Father's Name  
Last First Middle Name he goes by Living Deceased

Mother's Name  
Last First Middle Name she goes by Living Deceased

In the event you are selected, how would you want your parents' names listed?

Academic and school honors received:

Student Clubs/Organizations:

Special interests, hobbies or talents:

Volunteer/Community Activities:

## Applicant Certification

I hereby certify that the information on this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby grant permission to SkyLine Membership Corporation to contact my school, if necessary, and to use my name and photograph in promotional materials in the event that I am selected to receive a sponsorship.

To sign, type full name if you plan to submit your application and attachments digitally.

Signature of Applicant: Date

## Please Include the Following with Your Application

- One recent photograph, preferably school photograph – digital files will be accepted.
- A separate written narrative stating why you would like to attend the Youth Tour and what your plans are beyond high school.
- A written essay of up to 300 words on one of the three selected topics (see Application Information & Requirements).
- Letter of recommendation from high school teacher, other school official or youth leader.