



Cuivre River Electric Cooperative

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

2026 CYCLE Program

Cooperative Youth Conference & Leadership Experience July 14-17, 2026, Jefferson City

Sophomores: Are you a leader in your community and school? Do you want to learn more about Missouri State Government? Would you like the opportunity to connect with other youth leaders and attend a national award winning leadership program? Do you want to make a difference in your community? If you answered **YES** to any of these questions, then **CYCLE** is for you!

What is CYCLE? The Cooperative Youth Conference & Leadership Experience (CYCLE) is a program sponsored by Missouri's Electric Cooperatives. CYCLE brings together some of Missouri's brightest young leaders. The focus is to provide students with an inside look at Missouri State Government, teach leadership skills and learn more about electric cooperatives. Make new friends, take exclusive tours, attend keynote presentations and delegate events. CYCLE is a truly unique and exciting leadership experience — not to mention, **FUN!** Cuivre River Electric will select **SIX** high school sophomores on May 6 to participate in Missouri's CYCLE program held in Jefferson City on July 14-17, 2026. You could be next!

National Community Service Community Investment Award: The Association of Missouri Electric Cooperatives (AMEC) CYCLE Program received the National Community Service Community Investment Award from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association in 2014. This esteemed award honors AMEC's commitment to youth development through programs that help young citizens learn about electric power, develop leadership skills and make contributions to their communities through a variety of activities that emphasize electric cooperatives and the cooperative business model.

Leadership Development: Missouri electric cooperatives are helping their youth to understand Missouri State Government, cooperative principles, learn to make good decisions and develop a positive outlook about public service. By engaging youth through the CYCLE program, electric cooperatives are helping to teach important skills to new generations of young citizens who will help their communities and nation grow.

2026 CYCLE Program Official Rules

1. Entries may be submitted by high school sophomores attending school in Lincoln, St. Charles, Warren, and southern Pike counties (*Except children, grandchildren, brothers or sisters of Cuivre River employees or directors*).
2. Entries must be received by **April 15 before 4:30 p.m.**
 - You may deliver them to a Cuivre River Electric Cooperative office (located in Lake Saint Louis and Troy).
 - Mail: 2026 CYCLE Program, c/o Cuivre River Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 160, Troy, MO 63379
 - Email: tschmidt@cuivre.com
3. Applications will be reviewed by the Cuivre River Electric CYCLE Committee. Six students will be selected based on their community service, scholastic achievements and leadership experiences.



**CYCLE
Winners**

**Important
Dates**

**More
Information**

All-Expense Paid Trip to Jefferson City . . . Six students will receive an all-expense paid trip to Jefferson City on July 14-17, 2026 to attend the 2026 Cooperative Youth Conference & Leadership Experience program held at the DoubleTree Hotel. Roundtrip transportation included.

CYCLE Program Applications Deadline April 15, 2026
CYCLE Delegates will be notified on May 6, 2026
CYCLE Program in Jefferson City July 14-17, 2026

Missouri Electric Cooperative CYCLE Program information is available at www.cuivre.com and www.moyouthtour.com/cycle. For additional CYCLE information please call Tim Schmidt at (636) 695-4837 or email tschmidt@cuivre.com.



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Full Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Email Address: _____

Daytime Phone Number: () _____ Evening Phone Number: () _____

Student's Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name (s): _____

Name of High School: _____

Counselor/Teacher's Name: _____

High School's Phone Number: () _____ Teacher's Email: _____

Student's Grade Point Average: _____ Favorite School Class/Subject: _____

Personal Achievement - Non-Scholastic Activities

List the clubs/organizations or community service activities you have participated in outside of school.

Personal Achievement - Scholastic Activities & Record

List the clubs/organizations or outstanding activities you have participated in during your high school attendance (class officer, club membership, athletics, music, etc.). List scholastic awards won (local, county, district, state or national).

Personal Statement

Explain why you would be a good representative for Cuivre River Electric Cooperative at the 2026 CYCLE Program.

***An additional piece of paper may be used to record your answers if needed. Please attach to the original application.**