

2010 Youth to Washington Web Quiz

Each year in March, Western Illinois Electrical Coop. awards one talented son or daughter of a WIEC member an all expense trip to Washington, D.C. This year's winner of the "Youth to Washington" (Y2W) trip will be selected on how well they answer the questions below. There are fifteen questions, some are multiple choice, some are short answer, some require short essay to support the answer. (*Hint: the more specifics given on the essay, the better you'll score*) However, the best part is that the answers to all fifteen are found on one of three different Web sites.

www.wiec.net - has specific information about WIEC

www.aiec.coop - has information about Y2W

www.nreca.coop - has general and historical information about cooperatives

Complete the quiz, attach it to the application, and then return them to WIEC.

Good Luck!

Multiple Choice

1. What percent of the U.S. population is served by electric co-ops.?

40%

21%

12%

2. By 1953, what percent of the US farms had electricity?

less that 65%

more that 90%

around 70%

3. Electric cooperative operate according to a set of how many principals?

seven

ten

four

Short Answer

1. What year was Western Illinois Electrical Coop. organized?

2. Which President established the Rural Electrification Administration (REA)?

3. At the 2009 WIEC Annual Meeting, what was the entertainment?

4. In 2009, what years did Western Illinois Electrical Coop. pay back capital credits for?
5. Of the 1,500 kids that went nationwide to Washington D.C. as part of the 2009 Y2W, how many were from Illinois?
6. From the Illinois delegation of Y2W winners, one will be chosen to be on the Youth Leadership Council (YLC). What is the purpose of this council?

Essay *Please choose two out of the six essay questions below. Please support your answer in 150 words or less per question. If you need more paper, feel free to attach more paper to the quiz. Typed answers are allowed (and encouraged!)*

1. Name some of the programs offered by WIEC to its members. Which (if any) do your parents (or guardians) take advantage of?
2. Why does the "Youth to Washington" Tour trip appeal to you? How do you think this trip will impact your future?
3. Members of cooperatives express a higher than average level of customer satisfaction. What contributes to this level?
4. At last year's WIEC Annual Meeting, it was announced that WIEC would be paying back capital credits to members who were on our lines from 1958 to 1961. What are capital credits?
5. Each year, on the Y2W bus trip to Washington, a "Pop N Chip" cooperative is formed. What is the purpose of this cooperative and how does this parallel what Western Illinois Electrical Coop. does for its members?
6. Of the places visited in Washington D.C. by the 2009 group, which would you like to see the most and why? Please support your answer with specifics.