

# FRS Youth Tour

2020 Application



*Your pathway to the world*



**Application Due March 2, 2020!**

# 2020 FRS YOUTH TOUR

Citizens Connected sponsors two area youth in an all-expense paid Foundation for Rural Service Youth Tour. The tour provides approximately 100 students from rural areas with a first-hand look at the telecommunications industry. Students have the opportunity to meet other high school juniors from rural communities across the country and form friendships that last a lifetime.

The students will spend four days in the nation's capitol attending informational sessions on the legislative and governmental processes and visiting famous historical sites, including the Smithsonian Institute, the US Capitol, Mount Vernon, and Arlington National Cemetery.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be a 2019-20 High School junior and **under 18 years of age at the time of the tour.**
- Parent(s) or guardian(s) must be a member in good standing for the past year through Citizens Connected. To confirm membership please contact our office at (715) 237-2605

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Complete, sign and return all 6 pages of the application.
2. Type or print all information
3. Submit paragraph answering the following questions:

***Why do you want to participate in the Youth Tour?***

***What does this mean to you to be able to go to Washington DC?***

The paragraph should be typed (preferred) or printed, 12-point font, double-spaced with one-inch margins.

4. Submit a picture of yourself for the Student Youth Tour booklet
5. **ALL completed information (#1-4 above) is due March 2, 2020 and can be submitted via: email to [awillmarth@citizens-connected.com](mailto:awillmarth@citizens-connected.com), mail or drop off at Citizens Connected office located at 328 W Main St, PO Box 127, New Auburn, WI 54757**

Awarded applicants will be notified by the end of March.



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## STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

SEX: M F

BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**(MUST BE UNDER 18 YEARS OLD  
at the time of Youth Tour in June)**

SPONSOR TELCO/COMPANY: CITIZENS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

WORK EXPERIENCE:

HOBBIES & OTHER INTERESTS:

TELL US ABOUT YOUR HOMETOWN:



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## PARENTAL RELEASE FORM

### Instructions:

This form must be completed for each participating student by their parent or guardian. By signing this form, parent(s)/guardian(s) grant consent for their child to attend the 2020 FRS Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. Your signature releases your child into the supervision of the FRS staff and all accompanying chaperones.

### Liability Information

Parents/Guardians of this student agree, by affixing their signatures, to the conditions set forth here-in.

Being parents/guardians of son/daughter who is to be the representative on the Foundation for Rural Service Youth Tour, we hereby agree to release FRS/NTCA, its representatives, agents, servants, and employees from liability for any injury to said minor—resulting from any cause whatsoever occurring to said minor at any time while attending the 2020 FRS Youth Tour – including travel to and from said event, excepting only such injury or damage resulting from willful acts of such representatives, agents, servants, and employees.

This form also grants FRS full permission to use any photographs, or videos of the students on the foundation's Web site, in print materials and/or in promotional pieces for future tours. Signature(s) acknowledge that all parties have read and concur with the information contained herein

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Parent/Guardian

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Date



## DELEGATE CONDUCT GUIDELINES

The term *delegate* shall refer to the student representing their sponsoring telco at the 2020 Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) Youth Tour.

1. Students shall abide by all Youth Tour rules in a manner that will bring credit to their school and their sponsoring telco.
2. At all times, delegates shall keep the assigned chaperone or FRS staff informed of their activities and whereabouts while in Washington, D.C.
3. Students must stay in housing designated by FRS during the tour.
4. Students shall participate in authorized activities only.
5. Students shall not possess or use any alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs at *any* time, under *any* circumstances.
6. Students shall respect and abide by the authority entrusted to the FRS staff and chaperones.
7. Students will respect and abide by the designated curfew each night.
8. Students will adhere to dress regulations established for the FRS Youth Tour.
9. Identification badges must be worn as directed.
10. Smoking, including electronic cigarettes and vaping will not be permitted.
11. Boys are not permitted in girls' rooms and girls are not permitted in boys' rooms *at any time* – unless an adult supervisor is present.
12. Students will refrain from expressing support or opposition of any political motivated action, including the wear of political clothing.

**ACTION TO BE TAKEN IF STUDENT VIOLATES DELEGATE CONDUCT GUIDELINES: Student will be sent home immediately and sponsoring company, school, and parents will be notified.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to abide by these Delegate Conduct Guidelines.

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Signature of Delegate (Student)

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Date



## MEDICAL CONSENT FORM

STUDENT: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(MUST BE UNDER 18 YEARS OLD at time of tour)

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT'S PRIMARY DOCTOR: \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S CLINIC ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

INSURANCE COMPANY/POLICY #: (Include Medicare, etc.)

*Please note that the student will be required to bring a current medical insurance card with him/her on the trip. Should an uninsured student require medical assistance, the student's parent or guardian must accept full financial responsibility.*

INSURANCE CO.: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICY # \_\_\_\_\_ (Indicate 'None' if uninsured)

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERNATE CONTACT/RELATIONSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe below, in detail, any **medical conditions or special needs**, past or present, which need to be brought" to our attention. Include all allergies, medicinal reactions, physical handicaps, heart and/or lung problems, seizures, convulsions, blackouts, etc. If you are currently taking any medications, please state the medication, its purpose and the prescribing physician and his/her phone number.

Please also include any severe food allergies:



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## MEDICAL CONSENT FORM, CONT.

The Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, commonly referred to as HIPPA, requires an individual or the individual's legal representative (parent of a minor, legal guardian) to provide permission for the release and exchanges of that individual's health information in certain circumstances. By signing this form, you are giving health care providers permission to share medical information with the representatives from the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS).

In the event of an emergency, representatives from FRS will try to contact the parents or legal guardians prior to the administration of any medical treatment.

I/We the parents or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a participant in the FRS Youth Tour, June 6-June 10, 2020, give authorization for communication between medical providers and the representatives from the Foundation for Rural Service.

*Instructions: Parent/Guardian ... Please check and sign ONE of the following statements.*

1. In the case of an emergency, I grant full permission for immediate medical treatment (as required) by an attending physician while my child is in Washington, D.C. attending the FRS Youth Tour, June 6-June 10, 2020. I accept full financial responsibility for any medical treatment received.
  
2. In the case of an emergency, I **DO NOT** grant permission for any medical treatment (as required) by an attending physician until I have been contacted. If I grant permission for treatment, I will then accept full financial responsibility for any medical treatment received.

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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**Date**

## APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all of the information in this application is complete and true to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby grant permission to Citizens Connected to contact my references and/or school if necessary, and to use my name and likeness in promotional materials in the event that I am selected to attend the Youth Tour.

I am aware that in the event that I am selected to represent Citizens Connected, I will be **required** to do a short simple presentation (5-10 minutes) on what I experienced on the trip to the Board Members of the Cooperative at their **June 25, 2020** monthly meeting. We also ask that you attend our Spring Annual Meeting and volunteer in at least one of our summer parades.

*Signature of Applicant:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENTAL CONSENT

I/We are the parent(s) or guardian(s) of \_\_\_\_\_ and we understand that if our child should be chosen for the FRS Youth Tour that they will be traveling on a non-stop flight between Minneapolis and Washington DC with either another student or a chaperone.

I/we understand that Citizens Connected will make the flight arrangements and will escort the students to and from the airport and if security allows to the gate, and the Foundation for Rural Services will be meeting and escorting them to Washington DC. You as the parent or guardian may purchase, at your cost, the "Unaccompanied Minor" service from the airline.

*Signature of Parent/Guardian:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature of Parent/Guardian:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_



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## 2020 YOUTH TOUR AGENDA (Preliminary)

### Saturday, June 6

12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Arrival in Washington, DC
6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Chaperone Orientation Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Buffet Dinner, Review of Youth Tour, Orientation Activities

### Sunday, June 7

8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.	Breakfast and Review of Days Activities
9:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.	Tour of Arlington National Cemetery Lunch & visit at the
11:30 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.	Smithsonian Museums
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Dinner at Union Station Food Court
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Night Tour of Washington D.C. (including stops at the White House, WWII, Vietnam & Korean War Memorials, Lincoln Monument)

### Monday, June 8

7:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.	Breakfast and Review of Days Activities
9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	<b><i>Educational Session: "A Visit to the Hill"</i></b> Sightseeing time at U.S. Capitol, Library of Congress, Supreme Court or you can visit your state Congressman or Senator Group
2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Photo at Capitol
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Tour of the Jefferson, FDR & Martin Luther King Memorials
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Bowling & Dinner at Bowlmor Lanes
8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	FRS Breakout Session on Rural America

### Tuesday, June 9

7:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.	Breakfast and Review of Days Activities
9:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	<b><i>Educational Session: "A Visit to the FCC"</i></b> <b><i>Federal Communications Commission (FCC) staff</i></b>
11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Tour the Newseum (with lunch)
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Tour of Mount Vernon, Home of George Washington Farewell
7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	Dinner & Dance

### Wednesday, June 10

7:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Return Home
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*\*In some instances, traffic, weather, or other issues may interfere with scheduled events. This itinerary is subject to change, at the discretion of the FRS staff, at any time.*