

CURRENT NEWS

What's Happening

**Oct. 15**

Nominations for Touchstone Energy Student of the Month-Hazelton-Moffit-Braddock Public School are due.

**Jan. 19**

Youth Tour applications are due.

**Coming soon**

Keep an eye out for high school scholarship opportunities which will be available soon.



Youth Tour applications are now open!
The deadline to apply is Jan. 19.

Cooperative happenings

Youth Tour applications are open

We are now accepting applications for the 2027 Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. Applications are open to sophomores or juniors in high school for the school year 2026-2027. Visit our website for details and to apply. The application deadline is Jan. 19.

Update your information

Keep your information up to date and ensure KEM Electric can reach you during outages, for capital credits and more. Log into SmartHub or call the office to update your contact information.

Energy efficiency tip of the month

Take advantage of "shoulder months", known as September to November, to reduce home energy consumption during transitional periods between heating and cooling seasons. Use this time to find simple ways to enhance indoor comfort without relying heavily on your HVAC system.

Read this month's issue of North Dakota Living and more by scanning the QR code or visiting our website.



COOPERATIVE PRINCIPLES

Cooperatives around the world operate according to the same set of core principles and values. These principles are a key reason that America's electric cooperatives operate differently from other electric utilities, putting the needs of their members first.

1



Open and Voluntary Membership: The services offered by the cooperative are available to all people willing to accept the responsibilities of membership.

2



Democratic Member Control: Each member vote carries the same weight, regardless of the amount of services delivered or consumed. This differs from a for-profit company, where the control and votes are based on the amount of stock an investor owns in the company.

3



Members' Economic Participation: Members contribute to and control the equity of the cooperative.

4



Autonomy and Independence: Cooperatives are autonomous, self-help organizations controlled by their members. If they enter into agreements with other organizations or raise capital from external sources, they do so on terms that ensure democratic control as well as their unique identity.

5



Education, Training, and Information: Education and training for members, elected representatives and employees help them effectively contribute to the development of their cooperatives.

6



Cooperation Among Cooperatives: By working together through local, national, regional and international structures, cooperatives improve services, bolster local economies, and deal more effectively with social and community needs.

7



Concern for Community: Cooperatives work for the sustainable development of their communities through policies supported by the membership.



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