

Rules for Verdigris Valley Electric Cooperative's

ENERGY CAMP 2009

Contest

How to enter:

1. Complete the entry form and return it to VVEC.
2. Write an original essay of 125 words on the topic below.
Note: Materials are for **reference only**; do not copy whole paragraphs or articles for use in your essay.
3. Essays may be written individually or as a two-person team.
4. Essays must be typewritten and double-spaced on 8 ½" x 11" paper. Computer may also be used.
5. No name(s) should appear on the essay, but must be included on the cover sheet along with school name, teacher's name and the date the essay is submitted.
6. Contest papers must be received in Verdigris Valley Electric's Collinsville office no later than 4:00 p.m. on March 10.

Essay topic:

*How can New Technology Help the Electric Utility Industry
Provide Enough Electricity to Meet Growing Demands?*

Judging:

A panel of judges knowledgeable about electric cooperatives will evaluate and rank the essays. The top two individual essays or the top two person team essay will win this year's contest. Criteria for judging will be as follows:

Command of subject – 40% - Includes a demonstrated understanding of material, relevance of information, direct treatment of subject.

Strength of ideas – 25% - Includes recognizable point being made, solid support for your view.

Style – 20% - Includes originality of approach, appealing presentation.

Writing convention/grammar – 15% - Includes correct use of words, punctuation, spelling and sentence structure.

Prizes:

The students or team winning this year's contest with the highest scoring essay will be invited to the Energy Camp in Hinton, Oklahoma to be held May 26 – 29, 2009.

Note: Should either of the top two finalists be unable to attend the Energy Camp, the highest-scoring runner-up will then receive the trip.

For information call Paula in Member Services at 918-371-2584, extension 6204.

For material packets and entry forms write to:

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Energy Camp Contest
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Collinsville, OK 74021

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