

Satilla REMC Newsletter



Local Students Selected for Prestigious Washington Youth Tour

Connor Chapman, Annakate Hollingsworth, Kaitlyn Tanner and Maura Kate Waters to Enjoy Trip of a Lifetime



Connor Chapman



Annakate Hollingsworth



Kaitlyn Tanner



Maura Kate Waters

Area high school students Connor Chapman, Annakate Hollingsworth, Kaitlyn Tanner and Maura Kate Waters have been selected to participate in the 2023 Washington Youth Tour (WYT) sponsored by Satilla REMC and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).

The teen delegates will explore government on a local and national level, gathering in Atlanta before departing for Washington, D.C. Connor, Annakate, Kaitlyn and Maura Kate will join 107 students from Satilla REMC's sister electric co-ops across Georgia for this once-in-a-lifetime trip, which is set for June 15-22.

After their arrival in Washington, D.C., Georgia's delegation will convene with more than 1,500 youth representing cooperatives across the nation. They will have the opportunity to mingle with peers from other states and exchange views concerning local and national issues.

The Washington Youth Tour challenges teens to consider the part they play in history, government and the cooperative movement. The Youth Tour also encourages teens to become involved citizens and to consider careers in public service. They will see firsthand the sacrifices that have been

made by influential individuals throughout the country. Satilla REMC's representatives already understand sacrifice to some extent, as all are leaders in their respective schools and communities.

Connor is the son of Amber Cox. He is a rising senior at Ware County High School in Waycross, where he is very involved in many school activities, including VEX Robotics and the Technology Student Association. Both activities have a great relationship with engineering, which is Connor's field of interest. He is also a member of Beta Club and the National Honor Society. Connor loves to give back to his school through community service. He has participated in numerous community service projects, including volunteer work at the Waycross Christmas Parade and the Waycross Police Departments Cleanup Day. His goal is to use his leadership skills to help the growth of his city, state and country. Connor sees the Washington Youth Tour as an experience to witness the U. S. government in action.

Annakate attends Bacon County High School in Alma, where she is also a rising senior. She is the daughter of Shawn and Scheryl Hollingsworth. Annakate is very active in her

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school's National FFA Organization, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Student Council. She also serves as Vice President of her junior class. Annakate is a proud member of the Bacon County tennis and softball teams. She has lettered in both sports all three years of high school. Annakate participates in several community activities, including Lee's Chapel Black Light Ministry, tutoring and coaching baseball at the Bacon Recreation Department. She also volunteers to assist in the food pantry and clothing donations at Lee's Chapel. After high school, Annakate hopes to be accepted into the University of Georgia and plans to pursue a degree in biology, chemistry or history. Annakate is excited about the upcoming trip and is eager to learn about our nation's history.

Kaitlyn is the daughter of Lydia and Greg Tanner. She is a rising senior at Citizens Christian Academy (CCA) in Douglas. Kaitlyn's involvement in her school activities include Leo Club, Key Club, the National FFA Organization and Literary Team. She has also collaborated with Covenant Care Adoptions to help raise more than \$30,000 for adoptive families. Kaitlyn is a member of the CCA basketball, swim, and track and field teams. She participates in many projects that serve her community, such as nursing home volunteer activities, Operation Christmas Child and Night to Shine. Kaitlyn's future goals are to graduate at the top of her class, attend college in pursuit of a veterinary degree and continue to serve her community. Kaitlyn looks forward to growing as a person as a result of meeting leaders of Georgia and the United States at WYT.

Maura Kate is a rising senior and attends Pierce County High School in Blackshear. She is the daughter of Brent and Cathleen Waters. Her school activities include softball and

tennis. Maura Kate is also Captain of the inaugural Pierce County High School volleyball team. She is a member of Beta Club and Student Council, and serves as the Junior Class Vice President. Maura Kate is involved in many community service projects, such as

working at the local nursing home and packing backpacks for kids in need. She is also a member of the Hospice Satilla Junior Board of Directors and Chamber of Commerce Student Leadership Academy. Maura Kate plans to continue making academics a priority as she moves on to college and other levels of education. Maura Kate is very enthusiastic about the WYT and feels that she will become a more productive citizen by seeing places of

historical significance.

Of the 18 candidates interviewed, the decision to pick four was challenging. All of the candidates would have represented Satilla REMC well, and they are all to be congratulated for being nominated by their school counselors and principals for outstanding leadership qualities and abilities.

Former U.S. President Lyndon B. Johnson inspired the Youth Tour while he was a Texas senator addressing participants at the NRECA Annual Meeting in Chicago in 1957, "If one thing goes out of this meeting, it will be sending youngsters to the national capital, where they can actually see what the flag stands for and represents."

Since 1965, the Washington Youth Tour has given more than 2,500 students in Georgia and more than 50,000 students nationwide an opportunity to take part in this once-in-a-lifetime experience. Satilla REMC and other cooperatives continue to realize former President. Johnson's dream by providing a means for young leaders to witness firsthand the sacrifices and efforts expended on their behalf.

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ENERGY EFFICIENCY *Tip of the Month*

Looking for additional ways to save energy this summer? Your laundry room is a great place to start. Wash clothes with cold water, which can cut one load's energy use by more than half. Your washing machine will use the same amount of energy no matter the size of the clothes load, so fill it up when you can. When drying clothes, separate the heavier cottons. Loads will dry faster and more evenly if you separate heavier cottons like linens and towels from your lightweight clothing.



Summary of Bylaws Relating to the Committee on Nominations for the Election of Directors at the 2023 Annual Meeting

NOMINATIONS

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to appoint, prior to the next Annual Meeting, a committee on nominations consisting of three (3) Members from each District in which a Director is to be elected (the Nominating Committee). The Members on any such Nominating Committee must not be candidates for Director, incumbent Directors or close relatives (third cousin or closer) of known candidates for Directors, or incumbent Directors, and such Members of the Nominating Committee must not be Cooperative officers, employees or agents. The Nominating Committee shall prepare and post at the principal office of the Cooperative at least one hundred and five (105) days prior to the Annual Meeting, its nomination(s) for the office of Director for the counties represented by the Nominating Committee. Any one hundred and fifty (150) or more Members from any District from which a Director is to be elected, acting together, over their signatures and not less than ninety (90) days prior to the meeting, may make an additional nomination; provided that the signatures on all such nominations will be subject to verification (for the purpose of verification, the Member's name shall be printed next to the Member's signature). Should the ninetieth (90th) day fall upon a weekend or holiday, then said petition shall be due by 4 p.m. on the last working day prior to the weekend or holiday on which the ninetieth (90th) day actually occurs. The President/Chief Executive Officer, upon being personally presented with any such additional nomination(s) shall, immediately following verification of the validity of the petition by the Credentials and Election Committee, post such nomination(s) at the same place where the committee nominations are posted. No action taken by any Nominating Committee may be amended, repealed or in any way overruled by the Board of Directors, any committee thereof or the Members.

The Secretary shall mail to the Members, with the notice of the meeting, or separately, but in any event at least five (5) days prior to the meeting, a statement of the names and addresses of each nominee and opposing nominee(s), if any, showing nominee(s) nominated by the Nominating Committee separately from the nominee(s) nominated by petition, if any. After all nominations by the Nominating Committee and nomination(s) by petition, if any, have been verified and duly posted within the time limits prescribed above, the nominations will be closed, and there will be no nominations made from the floor, and there will be no write-in candidates. Provided, however, that one or more nominations may be made from the floor under the provisions set forth in Article IV, Section 10. Special Nominations and Elections. No Member of one District shall have any right to vote for the Director of another District, except (a) Brantley District Members, who will vote with Pierce District Members for a Pierce District Director; (b) and Irwin and Ben Hill District Members, who will vote with Coffee District Members for a Coffee District Director.

Districts up for election in 2023 are Appling and Coffee. Appointed to the 2023 Nominations Committee for the Appling District are Ann Eason, Floyd Hunter and Wayne Lee. Greg Batten, Roy Harper and Tracy Lott have been appointed to serve on the 2023 Nominations Committee for the Coffee District.

2023 ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS
The Satilla REMC Annual Meeting will be held Tuesday,
October 10, at Memorial Stadium in Waycross.

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