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Mark Twain is pleased to announce our continued participation in the 2014 Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) Scholarship Program.

Seniors within Mark Twain's geographic region of the NTCA membership will be competing for a \$2,500 FRS Scholarship, \$500 of which will be sponsored by Mark Twain. Students may also be eligible for four (4) FRS Staurulakis Family Scholarships valued at \$5,000 each. Students who are majoring in math, science, engineering, or medicine are given preference for the FRS Staurulakis Family Scholarships.

In the event that a Mark Twain applicant does not receive the \$2,500 FRS scholarship or the \$5,000 Staurulakis Family Scholarship, then they become eligible to receive a \$500 scholarship directly from Mark Twain.

Mark Twain encourages high school seniors to apply today. This is not a scholarship based on grade point average. Rather, it is geared toward seniors who are good students, but may not qualify for scholarship programs based solely upon GPA. The chances of winning are very good due to the small number of applications traditionally received.

Applications are available through your high school counselor, the business office, or at Mark Twain's web site, www.marktwain.net. The application requirements are minimal and take very little time to complete.

To be eligible you must:

1. Be a graduating high school senior.
2. Be a United States citizen.
3. Receive your local telephone service from Mark Twain Rural Telephone or Mark Twain Communications Company.
4. Be accepted by an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school.
5. Have at least a C grade point average (GPA).
6. Be sponsored by Mark Twain Rural Telephone or Mark Twain Communications Company.
7. Express an interest to return to a rural community following graduation.

Your completed application should first be sent to Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company for the General Manager's signature and further processing. Scholarship applications should arrive at the telephone company by Tuesday, February 18, 2014, so that FRS's March 3rd deadline can be met. If you have any questions, please call our office at 423-5211 and ask for Charlotte Clark.

Submit FRS Applications to:
Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company
ATTN: Charlotte Clark
P.O. Box 68
Hurdland, MO 63547

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Attention High School Juniors!

Win a Trip to Washington D.C.

Mark Twain invites you to enter our drawing for a chance to win a trip to Washington, D.C., as part of The Foundation for Rural Service 2014 Youth Tour. The tour is Saturday, May 31 through Wednesday, June 4, 2014. You will gain a first-hand look at the telecommunications industry and government process and spend four days visiting famous historical sites including the Washington Monument, the Smithsonian, the National Cathedral, the U.S. Capitol, and Arlington National Cemetery. You will also have a wonderful time meeting other students from rural communities across the country. Mark Twain will pay the registration fee (which includes meals, ground transportation in Washington, special entertainment, t-shirt, student "yearbook" and admission to ticketed events), hotel and airfare. Students will be met at the airport gate upon arrival in Washington and will stay at a hotel in Arlington, VA. Students are chaperoned by National Telephone Cooperative Association (NTCA) staff and by volunteers from member phone companies.



Eligibility Rules

Students must be high school students, age 16 or 17 years old at the time of the youth tour. FRS will not accept any student 18 years of age and over. Must be on A or A-B honor roll. **Your parents or guardian must subscribe to basic local tele-**

phone service from either Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company or Mark Twain Communications Company.

Students meeting the above criteria are asked to complete the application form in this newsletter, detach, and mail to Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company, Attn: Youth Tour, P.O. Box 68, Hurdland, MO, 63547 by March 24, 2014. A drawing will

be held and the winner will be contacted during the week of April 1, 2014. **ONLY ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT.**

Our office will be closed on Monday, February 17th, in observance of President's Day.



**Detach and return to the address below by March 24, 2014.
Please, only one entry per student.**

Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company
Attn: Youth Tour
P.O. Box 68
Hurdland, MO 63547

Student's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____
(Please write name as it appears on your telephone bill)

Student's Mailing Address: _____

Student's Telephone Number: _____

Student's Email Address: _____

School's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____