



2023 SWRE Energy Camp Application Instructions

Use this document as a template for completing your application.

NOTE: You will upload the completed items into your online application at [SWRE.COM/ENERGYCAMP](https://www.swre.com/energycamp). You will need a student and parent/guardian signature to apply.

Applications are OPEN from February 1 to March 1. The 2023 SWRE Energy Camp Application includes:

- 1) LEADERSHIP QUIZ** (~20 minutes to complete)
- 2) COOPERATIVE DIFFERENCE VIDEO** (~15 minutes to complete)
- 3) STUDENT PHOTO & GENERAL INFO** (~5 minutes to complete)

(Approximate completion times are based on an applicant who has previewed the application instructions and prepared potential concepts for the three portions of the application. Applicants who have fully prepared ideas and supporting information for the three sections can likely finish the online application in ~15 minutes.)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR EACH COMPONENT ARE INCLUDED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES



LEADERSHIP QUIZ

What kind of leader are you? What or who inspires YOU?

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Below you will find the questions that will be asked on the Energy Camp application.

These same fields will be presented on the online application form.

Answers must be in complete sentences.

1. What activities are you involved in at school and within your community?
2. What leadership skills have you learned by being involved in these activities?
3. What are your Top 3 accomplishments?
4. Which accomplishment is most important to you & why?
5. Who do you admire & why?
6. What's your ideal job or career & why?
7. What is the most courageous thing you've ever done?
8. What did you learn from that experience?
9. Why do you want to attend Energy Camp?!

COOPERATIVE DIFFERENCE VIDEO

What is a cooperative? What makes a cooperative different from other businesses?

COOPERATIVE DIFFERENCE VIDEO CRITERIA

Research and familiarize yourself with the distinctive qualities of cooperatives. Record a 1-2 minute video about the "Cooperative Difference" – how are co-ops unique compared to other businesses?

Have fun with this component and show off your creativity! You will upload your video on the application. Please record your video horizontally (if using phone or tablet).

COOPERATIVE: an autonomous association of persons united voluntarily to meet their common economic, social and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly-owned and democratically-controlled enterprise. The cooperative business model was created in the 1800s on the values of self-help, self-responsibility, equality, equity, democracy and solidarity.



With those values in mind, today co-ops operate under the **7 Cooperative Principles:**

1. Voluntary & Open Membership
2. Democratic Member Control
3. Member Economic Participation
4. Autonomy & Independence
5. Education, Training & Information
6. Cooperation Among Cooperatives
7. Commitment to Community

**PLEASE NAME YOUR FILE:
"EC23_CoopDifferenceVideo_FirstNameLastName"**

STUDENT PHOTO INSTRUCTIONS

PHOTO CRITERIA

Please upload a headshot photo of yourself. The applicant should be the only subject in the picture. Make sure the photo is taken in good lighting. This photo will be used for promotion should you win the contest!

PLEASE NAME YOUR FILE: "EC23_Photo_FirstNameLastName"

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