

# JACKSON PURCHASE ENERGY COOPERATIVE



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## 2026 Kentucky youth tour delegates selected

Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation is proud to continue our long-standing commitment to education and community leadership by sponsoring local high school students in the 2026 youth tour program, an invaluable experience in Frankfort and Washington, D.C.

This year, JPEC selected eight outstanding high school juniors from across our service territory to participate in the tour, which provides students with a unique opportunity to learn firsthand about state and federal government, the energy industry and civic leadership while building connections with peers from across the state.

Eligible applicants included high school juniors who reside within JPEC's service area and whose parents or guardians are members of the cooperative. Students completed a competitive application process that included an essay, academic



2025 JPEC delegates with Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman at the Capitol in Frankfort. Photo: Tim Webb

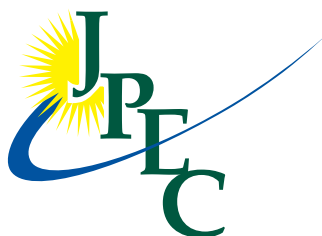
transcripts and documentation of extracurricular involvement. JPEC partners with Kentucky Electric Cooperatives to make the youth tour possible.

The following students were selected as participants in the 2026 Youth Tour program:

- **Samuel Dobson**—McCracken County
- **William Seaton**—McCracken County
- **Jacob Thaggard**—McCracken County
- **Mason Clements**—McCracken County
- **Ashton Wallace**—McCracken County
- **Ethan Dillon**—Marshall County

- **Katelyn Dillon**—Marshall County
- **Lillian Reno**—Ballard County

"JPEC is proud to invest in the next generation of leaders by providing opportunities that broaden students' understanding of government, energy and public service," says Mark Lindsey, vice president of member services and communications. "We hope this experience inspires these students to pursue their goals and ultimately return to Western Kentucky as engaged leaders in their communities."



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# Cooperative Spotlight



Congratulations to Directors David Brown, above, and Kevin Bell. Both directors earned the Board Leadership Certificate with NRECA. The BLC is an advanced, voluntary education program for electric cooperative directors who have already earned their Credentialed Cooperative Director certification. Photo: Amy Vick



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

# Powering our communities

## Co-op history informs our future

As America celebrates the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence this year, many of us have history on our minds. You can see some of that on display in this issue of *Kentucky Living* as we look at historical travel destinations across the state, from ancient caves to important sites in military history, bourbon, horse racing and more.

There's so much to explore in our state's heritage—and in Jackson Purchase Energy's history, too. We take great pride in our deep roots and our legacy of service. But the true power of history is its ability to shape the future.

Electric cooperatives were built to bring reliable electric power to every home—no matter the challenges. The community members who built our cooperative knew how important electricity would be for farms, businesses and homes. They understood that power had to be safe, reliable and cost-effective to truly make a difference.

Providing power to our community is a responsibility that we take personally. When outside interests propose changes that could threaten reliability and drive up costs, electric cooperatives are the first to speak up in Frankfort and in Washington, D.C., advocating for commonsense solutions to ensure the power keeps flowing at a price consumer-members can afford.

We continually look for ways to serve you better. For example, after weeks of punishing cold weather in January and February, Kentucky co-ops, including JPEC, backed a measure in the General Assembly to help levelize energy bills. Passed unanimously, with leadership from members of the Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Caucus, the Fuel Surcharge Stability Act enables utilities to spread out over time the cost of fuel spikes that happen during peak usage.

From artificial intelligence to manufacturing, electricity powers more of our lives than ever before. In this fast-paced environment, we are proud to be your trusted power partner and to advocate on your behalf.

Our history at JPEC is not a set of past accomplishments that we take for granted. It's an expression of our commitment to you—both now and in the future.



Since the beginning of rural electrification in the 1930s, Kentucky's electric cooperatives have been consumer advocates, dedicated to improving the quality of life in our communities.



President and CEO  
**Greg Grissom**



# Cooperative Spotlight



JPEC was a proud sponsor of the Livingston Central High School student of the month program. For February, Keaton Guill was selected by his welding teacher, Jason Culver. Ashley Turner, manager of member services and communications, presents Keaton with a gift card. Photo: Micah Croft



Co-op Champion Scholarship Recipient  
**BRODY MILLER**  
Jackson Purchase Energy Cooperative

We are proud to congratulate Brody Miller on being selected as a Co-Op Champion scholarship recipient awarded by Kentucky Electric Cooperatives. Brody's dedication, leadership and commitment to excellence truly embody the cooperative spirit. Photo: Tim Webb

SAVE THE DATE

## 2026 JACKSON PURCHASE ENERGY ANNUAL MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

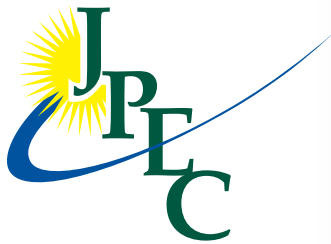
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**OUR OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED  
APRIL 3 FOR GOOD FRIDAY.**

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Director | District 4.....Joshua Barnes  
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Manager of Member Services  
& Communications.....Ashley Turner

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# GIVE CREWS LOTS OF ROOM

## It's the law

**National Work Zone Awareness Week is April 20-24.  
Be mindful of lineworkers on the job.**

- **Work zones also include utility crews who work along the road-sides** to build, repair and maintain the highway of electric power lines.
- When motorists see the orange work zone warning signs and vehicles with flashing amber lights, **they should slow down and prepare for the zone ahead.**
- **Kentucky law requires motorists to approach cautiously and change lanes away from the emergency vehicles if they can do so safely.** If not, they should reduce their speed to 10 mph under the posted speed limit and proceed with caution.

JOSH HES

The U.S. Treasury has halted production of pennies, creating a nationwide penny shortage. If we don't have pennies on hand to make the correct change, **we will simply credit the difference to your next bill.** There is nothing you need to do—this adjustment will be handled automatically to make things easy and accurate for you. Thank you for understanding.