How do you imagine representing WCEC on Youth Tour could impact your future?

The Government-in-Action Youth Tour is a phenomenal opportunity for the youth of Wharton County. This tour of Washington D.C. provides a breath of life to the frequently forgotten history of our united nation. This journey through time provides students with a humbling experience and a chance to learn about how our country was brought up and sustained throughout the years.

I feel that the younger generation of today tends to forget the sacrifices made to ensure the freedom and rights of United States citizens, myself included. When taking a tour of Washington D.C. you may be gifted with a humbling feeling, as well as a sense of self awareness that you are just a small speck of this ever-growing world. When speaking to others about their trips to Washington, D.C., I can see the honor in their faces and voices. I feel that seeing the monuments, battlefields, museums, and memorials that hold such great power in our history would be nothing less than indescribable.

When experiencing something first hand, you are given a deeper understanding of an event. This experience is not something that a textbook or video can provide to you. Traveling where such important people have traveled before me would allow me to have a more clear comprehension of what really happened in our history. I have learned and will continue to learn the importance of our country's history, and I can assure that the hands-on learning would be much more impactful.

Personally, I feel that an experience like this would be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! I have always been interested in the history of our nation. Being able to stand in the places where such great history occurred would be nothing short of an honor. I feel that if I have this experience, I will only be given an idea of how it felt to be a part of various times in history. As a high school student, I have great plans for my future. I plan on attending Texas A&M University and earning my bachelor's degree and then attending nursing school.

With this achievement, I plan to work in this field where I am able to help others and be a light in their possible dark times. This career choice of being of assistance to others mirrors the history of our nation. America's history is nothing short of individuals coming together towards common goals and counting on each other. If chosen, I feel that this would benefit me in my future career endeavors as I am able to see the large impact of those before me and have a deeper understanding of genuine selflessness.

As I continue to learn and grow as a young individual, I believe that an opportunity like this one would have such an impact on my view of the world. I would hope to grow a larger appreciation for those who did major acts and made long-lasting decisions in our history. I would be honored to have this opportunity, thank you.