



## PROGRAM FEATURES



### Getting to Know You, Us, & Each Other- October 12

**Let's get ready to build your team!**

The opening retreat for your Junior Board of Directors experience will allow you to learn about yourself, Kankakee Valley REMC and your fellow directors. You will be participating in a team building activity that will teach you how to collaborate effectively. This activity will help you learn more about the strengths and weaknesses of each other... and yourself.

### Election Day-November 9

**It's Election Day!** A board isn't complete without the election of officers. During this session you will vote for who will serve as president, vice-president and secretary of the Junior Board of Directors. The remainder of your day will be spent with state / local government representatives. Learn about a day in the life of the men and women who serve to help better our communities.

### Get Involved-December 14

Non-profits have a vital function in building a healthy community. Hear from a non-profit and how they are raising public awareness and attention to their cause to help our communities thrive. Following this session, you will discuss, as a board, your capstone project. This project will require you to select a non-profit to do a community service project to assist them with their cause.

### In Action- January TBD

Go beyond the closed door of a board meeting at the electric cooperative. You will attend a KV REMC board meeting and observe their process in ensuring the electric cooperative remains focused on its core objectives and obligations to the membership. During this meeting, you will present your plans for your community service project and seek approval from the board to proceed with the proposed budget.

### **Behind-the-Scenes-February 8**

It's field trip day and you will visit a local business where you will learn how teamwork is fundamental throughout any career. Talk to department managers to understand the importance of work ethic, leadership, consistency, and dedication when becoming successful in your walk of life.

### **Career Day-March 8**

College admission offices review thousands of applications each year. Ever wonder how colleges choose first-year students? Hear from an admissions director and get the inside scoop on how they select incoming students. You will also learn from the professionals about the value of an interview and how to make yourself stand out.

### **Judicial & Public Safety-April 12**

Explore the county judicial system from the police, courts, and county jail. You will meet with local officials throughout the day to help explain the issues affecting our counties and the challenges with protecting our community. You will also get to sit through live court sessions. In addition, you will tour the county jail and meet with a panel of low-risk inmates, where they will talk about their situation and past decisions.

### **Give Back-May 10**

Spend the day with fellow board directors giving back to a non-profit through your community service project. Take the time to experience and understand the importance of local unity. You can gain a unique sense of purpose by serving those who surround you, one which you could manifest in all aspects of your life.

### **Recruitment/Annual Meeting-June 15**

Invite your family to join you at the Kankakee Valley REMC Annual Meeting / Member Appreciation Day. Here you will be honored for your commitment to the board with your scholarship and will assist in recruiting future Junior Board of Director candidates.