MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S YTC Youth Transportation Conference

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1 Who can apply?

Any Missouri student in grades nine through 12. With this conference taking place in July, a student going to ninth grade in the fall is eligible. A senior who will graduate in May of 2026 is eligible.

2 How do I apply?

Fill out the YTC application and provide at least one letter of recommendation (up to two recommendations). Electronic signatures will be accepted. The application is available on our website.

3 When is the conference?

The 2026 conference will take place from July 6, 2026, to July 10, 2026. The dates will be adjusted yearly depending on availability.

4 How much does it cost?

MoDOT fully funds room, board, food and travel to field trips for each selected student. MoDOT does not cover travel to and from the conference or incidentals.

5 Is there a limit to the number of times I can attend YTC?

Students can apply to attend YTC every year they are eligible. Students who have attended prior do not receive special consideration.

6 How many participants will be selected each year?

Up to 40 students will be selected each year. This is a competitive program that offers a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to learn about the field of transportation at a collegiate and professional level.

7 Is there travel involved?

Yes. While students stay on campus at a university in Jefferson City, MO, we will travel to other locations around the state to visit other colleges and MoDOT facilities.

8 Are students allowed to leave campus during their free time?

Students will not have the option to leave during the conference unless their parent has filled out the overnight opt-out form. Free time is spent chaperoned unless students are in their single-occupancy dorm room.

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