

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Salem Community High School Graduate Receives Thomas H. Moore Illinois Electric Cooperatives (IEC) Memorial Scholarship**

Tri-County Electric Cooperative is proud to announce that Ethan Pride of Salem Community High School is one of fourteen winners of this year's Thomas H. Moore Illinois Electric Cooperatives (IEC) Memorial Scholarship. He is the child of Jeff and Renee Pride of Salem, IL. Ethan competed for the scholarship with 222 other students from across the state. The \$2,000 awards are given each year to thirteen sons or daughters of electric co-op members, employees or directors. A fourteenth scholarship is reserved for a student interested in lineworker's college and will be announced at a later date. Ethan will be recognized during the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives' annual meeting on July 28, 2022, in Springfield.

Candidates were judged on grade-point average, college entrance exam scores, work and volunteer experience, school, civic activities, and a short essay demonstrating their knowledge of electric cooperatives.

Come this fall, Ethan will attend Purdue University to major in Criminal Justice. Tri-County Electric Cooperative is honored to have a scholarship recipient and is excited to see how he will represent the community.



*Pictured (left) Lynn Hutchison, Tri-County Electric Cooperative Director of Member Services and (right) Ethan Pride, Scholarship Recipient*