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10 Quick Tips to Avoid High Winter Bills

Looking to lower your bills this winter?
Use the 10 tips below to conserve energy.

-  Seal air leaks and insulate well to prevent heat from escaping and cold air from entering your home.
-  Reduce waste heat by installing a programmable thermostat.
-  Turn off lights when not in use.
-  Lower your water heater temperature. The Dept. of Energy recommends using the warm setting (120 degrees) during fall and winter months.
-  Unplug electronics like kitchen appliances and TVs when you're away.
-  Open blinds and curtains during the day to allow sunlight in to warm your home.
-  Close blinds and curtains at night to keep cold, drafty air out.
-  Use power strips for multiple appliances, and turn off the main switch when you're away from home.
-  Wash clothes in cold water, and use cold-water detergent whenever possible.
-  Replace incandescent light bulbs with LEDs, which use at least 75 percent less energy.

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Energy Efficient Rebates for 2018

The 2018 Energy Efficiency Rebates were approved at the November 2017 Board Meeting. For more information about any of our rebates, you can visit www.se-coop.com or call 580-745-9463 and ask for Jim or Kevin.

Cooperative Home Energy Efficiency Program (CHEEP)

- Members can receive up to \$900 in pre-bates
- Co-funded program with Western Farmers Electric Co-op
- Members may choose On-Bill Financing for improvement costs
- Visit www.se-coop.com or www.oknm.coop for more details and registration

Air Source Heat Pump Rebate Program

- Available to new home and replacement units
- Tiered pay-out schedule with a *max* of \$150 per ton (5 ton cap)
- Units **MUST** meet Energy Efficiency Ratings
- Available for dual fuel units

Ground Source Heat Pump Rebate Program

- Available to new home and replacement units
- Pay-out with a *maximum* of \$200.00 per ton (5 ton cap)
- Manual J report is required for this rebate
- Due to the strict requirements of this rebate, please contact the Co-op for info

Central A/C Rebate Program

- Available to new home and replacement units
- Tiered pay-out not to exceed \$500.00 (5 ton cap)

Ductless Mini-Split A/C Rebate Program

- Available to new home and replacement units
- Tiered pay-out schedule not exceeding \$375 (5 ton cap)
- Rebate is limited to one qualifying unit every 3 years.

Window A/C Rebate Program

- 30% of appliance net cost (not to exceed \$150.00)
- All units **MUST** be Energy Star certified
- New homes do not qualify
- Rebate limited to one unit every three years

Preventative Maintenance Rebate Program (PMRP)

- Seasonal (April 1st-June 30th)
- Maximum rebate of \$70.00 per participant
- Rebate limited to one unit every three years

Award Winning Green School Program Visits Solar Facility

Recently, SEC hosted a very talented group of students at the Solar Facility! The Durant Middle School, which go by the DMS Green School Class, and Durant Intermediate School also known as the DIS Green Team, and make up what is known as the Durant Green School Program. This program visited our facility in late November.



The Durant Green School Program is led by Elizabeth Calliccoat. This class develops innovative methods where students can collaborate together and build systems within their school, such as setting up a recycling station. At both schools, students have the option to take a class where they develop a deeper understanding of sustainability

and are given the time and space to work on their ideas.

On November 18th, the students, Calliccoat and their guidance counselor headed to Keep Oklahoma Beautiful's Environmental Excellence Awards Banquet to represent the Green Team Program. Both schools were selected as finalists for an award. An estimated 600 people were in attendance representing groups from all over the state.

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The Green Team brought home the following awards:

Durant Middle School-Do Your Art to Stop Littering Contest Winner

Durant Intermediate School-K-12 Environmental Excellence Award AND Environmental Best of the Best Award.



Another extremely talented group of students from Tushka Public Schools got the chance to visit our facility as well. Tushka was also in the Top 5 finalists for the Keep Oklahoma Beautiful Environmental Excellence Contest. We are honored that we were able to host both of these very accomplished groups of students. Being anywhere in the Top 5 finalists is a huge achievement and deserves to be recognized.

A big Thank You to all of the educators who have scheduled their classes for a solar tour at our facility! If you would like to bring your class or have us come to your school, call Jim or Kevin at 580-745-9463 today!***

ARE YOU UPDATED?

It is important to keep an updated and active number on your Southeastern Electric account. There can be times when Co-op personnel need to reach you. From a planned power outage to a reminder that your bill is due, having an updated contact number makes allows us to communicate easier with our Members.

**Please use the form below and return to the Cooperative
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*You can also call Kevin at 580-745-9463 to have your information
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