



Virginia Institute on Cooperative Education (VICE)

VIRTUAL participation application due March 5, 2021

Virtual VICE is open to Virginia students in grades 10-12. Upon acceptance of the completed application, you'll receive study materials for an online test based on the "Welcome to Cooperatives" manual, which must be completed by March 31, 2021. Indicate below if you'd like a printed manual mailed to you. You'll also receive instructions to prepare a project, due April 15, on the cooperative that you began learning about by answering the profile questions listed below. Top performers may earn scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 and will be notified by May 15, 2021.

FULL NAME: _____ NICKNAME, if any: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S): _____

Birth date*: _____ HIGH SCHOOL: _____

**VICE participants must be 16-19 years old as of June 30, 2021*

MOBILE PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Please print legibly!

Check here if you would like a printed copy of the "Welcome to Cooperatives" manual mailed to you

ACTIVITIES: List scholastic or extracurricular activities in which you have participated, awards or honors you have received, or offices you have held, with dates of participation.

REFERENCE LETTER: Attach a letter of recommendation from an adult who is a school, community, or church leader. This person should NOT be a parent, guardian or relative. The letter should detail how they became acquainted with you, how long they have known you and why you would be a valuable participant in the Virginia Institute on Cooperative Education.

REPORT ON MY COOPERATIVE OF CHOICE

Full Name of Cooperative:

Address of Cooperative:

Name and title of co-op employee interviewed: _____

What year was the cooperative formed? _____

Approximate number of members eligible to vote, served by the cooperative: _____

Area served by the cooperative: _____

Who is the current CEO? _____ Volume of business for 2019:\$ _____

Who chooses/hires the CEO? _____

How or by whom are other employees hired? _____

Present number of full-time employees: _____ Present number of part-time employees: _____

Who is the chairman of the Board of Directors? _____

Length of term of a member of the Board of Directors: _____ (years)

Can a board member be elected to successive terms? _____ If so, how many? _____

How does someone become a co-op member? _____

What are the voting rights of a co-op member? _____

If the cooperative paid a patronage refund for the most recent year, how was it paid?

_____ % Cash _____ % Other

IMPORTANT: PLEASE RENAME THIS FILE using your first initial & last name BEFORE SAVING.
Otherwise, data may be lost when sent via email. Return this form and reference letter by email to mary.howell@sscoop.com or by mail to:

VCC attn: Mary Howell
P.O. Box 25202
Richmond, VA 23260

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 5, 2021. LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Applicants will receive a confirmation email by March 15, 2021.

For any questions, please visit www.virginia.coop or call (804) 281-1211