



International Exchange Programs

Project Description

Texas families may host international youth for a four-week immersive homestay (Inbound). Texas 4-H members may travel abroad (Outbound) for a similar four-week homestay. This even is done in partnership with States 4-H International Exchange.

In participation of this event, 4-H members and families can expect to learn about the culture of others, share their culture with others, expand their communication skills, learn to cooperate with others.



Inbound Program

- 4-week immersive homestay, July-August
- Family provides meals and accommodation for one youth or adult chaperone
- No fee or stipends to participate
- No group activities scheduled
- Families across the state
- Families apply January - April

Outbound Program

- 4-H youth, senior level (grades 9-12)
- Apply by November 1 for summer travel
- 4-week immersive homestay with Host Families
- Countries: Japan, Costa Rica, South Korea, Norway, Denmark
- Average expense: \$4,000.
- 4-H Adult Volunteers may apply to chaperone



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Where:

Inbound international delegates are typically from Japan, sometimes South Korea. Youth are usually 11-16 years of age and have varying English speaking skills. Outbound experiences are available for 4-H members in Japan, Costa Rica, South Korea, Norway, and Denmark.

When::

Families should apply in January through April to host. The delegates will be in Texas mid-July to mid-August. 4-H youth wanting to travel abroad should apply by November for summer travel.

Registration information:

All applications are online at <https://www.states4hexchange.org>

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Did you know?

4-H is a club for kids and teens to develop life skills and make friends. Youth can join 4-H in all 254 counties. Everybody ages 8-18 and in 3rd-12th grades can join 4-H. Kids in Kindergarten to 2nd grades can join as Clover Kids. There are 43 different project areas in five project categories: Agriculture & Livestock, Family & Community Health, Leadership & Citizenship, Natural Resources, and STEM.

Want to get started?

First...Contact your County Extension Agent!

- Contact information can be found at texas4-h.tamu.edu > contacts information at the bottom of the page > county offices

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