2023 SOUTH KOREA EXCHANGE

Join a HOMESTAY EXCHANGE and immerse yourself in another culture!

Dates: July 20 – August 18, 2022 (tentative dates)
(Dates and activities subject to change)
Capacity: 15 delegates maximum, 5 delegates minimum
Cost: $2,450 + airfare estimate ($1,300 - $2,300) + $50 travel agent fee
(Airfare varies based upon applicant’s location)

Delegates arrive in Seoul for a two-night arrival orientation led by Korea 4-H, which includes an introduction to Korean culture and basic language phrases. Afterwards, delegates meet their Korea 4-H host family and begin their homestay. Delegates may have 2 different host families during the program. Delegates also attend a 4-H International Camp for 2-3 days where they will meet other foreign delegates and participate in cultural exchange activities. The program concludes with sightseeing in Seoul and a departure debriefing.

Program Fees Include:
- Overnight National Departure Orientation in U.S. gateway city
- Two-night arrival orientation in Seoul
- Sightseeing and cultural excursions in Seoul
- In–South Korea expenses: lodging, meals, transportation
- 4-H International Exchange Camp
- Orientation materials and States’ 4-H t-shirts
- Accident & Sickness Insurance
- A portion of adult chaperone expenses

Program Timeline*:

NOVEMBER 1 Application & first deposit due to Missouri 4-H office. $1,500 payable to States’ 4-H Exchange and $250.00 due to Missouri 4-H. 2 separate checks.

February: States’ 4-H notifies applicant of acceptance
March 15: $1,500 second deposit due to States’ 4-H Office
March 15: Medical form & Passport due to States’ 4-H Office
April: States’ 4-H issues air tickets
Early Spring: State-level orientations
May 1: Third and final deposit due to States’ 4-H Office
Late Spring: National orientation for all South Korea delegates
July 20: Students fly to a U.S. gateway city for National Departure Orientation the day before the international flight.

HOLD NOVEMBER 12 FOR INTERVIEWS
First payment will not be deposited until applicant is accepted in February.
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States’ 4-H International’s mission is to enhance world understanding and global citizenship, which we believe can be achieved through living with a local host family and immersing oneself in another culture.

“1 had such an astonishing experience, one that surely will influence me for the rest of my life. I feel like I’ve grown as a person, and my perspective on the world has changed drastically.”

-States’ 4-H Outbound Alumna

Who can apply:
4-H youth who want to learn first-hand about another culture and gain a global perspective. Must be between ages 12-18 at the time of international travel (you must not be in college). 4-H enrollment guidelines and ages vary by state.

How to apply:
Contact your local 4-H coordinator to apply and learn about your local deadlines and to access the application.

Cancellation & States’ 4-H Policies:
- Program Cancellations:
  - Prior to March 31, 2022: $100 cancellation fee. The remaining amount of program deposits will be refunded.
  - After April 1, 2022: No refund of paid deposits, unless full program cancelled by States’ 4-H
- Airfare is non-refundable once issued
- In-State Fees may apply
- Unaccompanied Minor fees may apply (up to $150 each way)
- No donor checks are accepted by the States’ 4-H Office, donors must send checks directly to the delegate
- Program details subject to change

FAQs:
Q: Will a chaperone accompany the group?
A: Yes! Adult chaperones accompany the group during international travel and remain in-country to provide support during the exchange.

Q: Do I need to speak Korean?
A: No prior language study is required, but it is certainly helpful! Our international partners have English-speaking staff on hand to assist you in communication.

Q: How will States’ 4-H prepare me for my homestay?
A: States’ 4-H provides travel handbooks that cover everything from packing lists to financial matters to cultural information. In addition, each state may conduct a spring orientation covering these topics. Delegates also receive details during the States’ 4-H group conference call in late spring and a National Departure Orientation the day before the international flight.

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