



# 2023 SOUTH KOREA EXCHANGE

Join a HOMESTAY EXCHANGE and  
immerse yourself in another culture!



**Are you curious about daily life, culture, and youth leadership programs in other countries?**

Live with a host family in South Korea and immerse yourself in a world that most tourists rarely get to see. You will share everyday life with friends and relatives in your host community and build friendships that may last a lifetime.

**STATES' 4-H INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM DETAILS:** Online Application Link: <https://smr.to/p84038>

**Dates:** July 12 – August 10, 2023 (*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

## For More Information:

Contact your local 4-H Office, or Carolyn Russo at [carolyn.russo@wsu.edu](mailto:carolyn.russo@wsu.edu), (509) 754-2011 x4309

## Program Timeline:

### **December 15: Washington State Application due**

January 5: Aspirants notified of acceptance at State level

**January 15: Application & \$1,500 deposit submitted to national office**  
(*money will not be deposited until applicant is accepted*)

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: Students fly to a U.S. gateway city for National Departure

Orientation the day before the international flight

**Washington State Applications must be submitted by December 15th.**



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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.



*"I 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 learn about your local deadlines and access the application

## 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 conducts 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.

## States' 4-H Program Policies:

- Program Cancellations:
  - \* Prior to March 31, 2023: \$100 cancellation fee. The remaining amount of program deposits will be refunded.
  - \* After April 1, 2023: 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

## For more information:

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## States' 4-H

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