PURPOSES
• To emphasize the value of 4-H and similar programs throughout the world.
• To give 4-H’ers the chance for a cross-cultural experience they’ll always treasure.
• To provide the opportunity to know and appreciate another people and their culture.
• To help individuals better understand themselves and their own culture.
• To help develop the potential of the world’s most valuable resource: its young people.

WISCONSIN 4-H YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMS TO JAPAN, KOREA, ARGENTINA, & MEXICO
Wisconsin 4-H youth between the ages of 12-18 (15-18 for Argentina) have an amazing opportunity to stay with and become part of a host family, experiencing daily life and culture in Argentina, Mexico, Japan, or Korea first-hand for one month in the summer. Cost is estimated at $2,800-$4,900. An optional 4-week intensive Nihongo (Japanese language) program can be added. Participants are responsible for all costs. Year-long internships in Japan also exist for young adult leaders who are exchange alumni.

4-H YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMS TO AUSTRALIA, TANZANIA, FINLAND, AND NORWAY
4-H’ers between the ages of 16-19 are also able to participate in a home stay exchange experience in, Australia, Norway on even-numbered years, or Finland on odd-numbered years. Participants are responsible for all costs; about $5,100 for Australia; and $4,800 for Norway or Finland.

Applications are due January 1. County/area and national selection committees must approve applicants. WI 4-H requires that at least $1,000 be raised through individual fund raising with a local International Programs Committee; the participant pays the balance.

HOSTING OPPORTUNITIES
Hosting is a unique opportunity for both rural and urban 4-H families to host a visitor from another country.

During the summer, Wisconsin 4-H families welcome 12-17 year old Argentinean, Cameroonian, Finnish, Japanese, Korean, Mexican, and Norwegian delegates or their adult chaperones into their homes for one month (July-August).

Opportunities also exist for hosting Japanese or Eurasian students for the school year. Students between the ages of 15-18 study in Wisconsin high schools while living with a host family for ten months to improve their English, learn about American culture, and become part of an American family.

Applications are due in late winter/early spring.

FOR AN APPLICATION
Mail the short form on the last page of this brochure to the International Programs Office. Additional information is available from your local Extension office and the State 4-H Office. Application deadlines vary between December 15 and February 1. For an application, visit

http://wi4hinternational.org/
YOUTH TRAVEL   HOSTING    ADULT ADVISORS

Argentina program (4 wks)

Australia program (4 wks)

Mexico (4 weeks)

Finland Group Ldr (4 wks)

Japan Summer Exchange (4 wks)

Japan (4 weeks)

Japan Group Ldr (4 wks)

Korea Group Ldr (4 wks)

Japan Internships (1 year)

Korea Exchange (4 wks)

Norway (4 weeks in even years)

Cameroon (4 wks?)

Argentina Group Ldr (4 wks)

Australia Group Ldr (4 wks)

Mexico Group Ldr (4 wks)

Finland Group Ldr (4 wks)

Norway Group Ldr (4 wks)

Tanzania Group Ldr (2 wks)

Questions:

Group Leadership is for adults experienced in working with youth and international travel to serve as leaders for group programs. Group leaders must be over 25 and in good health. Group leaders have recently traveled with youth to Argentina, Australia, Costa Rica, Finland, Japan, Korea, Mexico, and Norway.

“We must all learn to live together as brothers or we will all perish together as fools. We are tied together in the single garment of destiny, caught in an inescapable network of mutuality and whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly.”

Martin Luther King, Jr.

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