

Ohio 4-H International Program

Hosting Is Easy and Fun!

“We loved seeing our family and our life through the eyes of our exchange youth!”

The Ohio 4-H International Program is for every kind of family! You just live your regular life. Below are the results of our survey of Japanese youth at the end of the homestay.



What did you like BEST about your experience in Ohio?

41% Family Activities

- Swimming in the pool, lake, river or pond
- Camping
- Sporting events
- Amusement parks/theme parks/water parks/zoo
- Playing with animals
- Fishing
- Birthday parties and family parties
- Hiking on trails or walking in the neighborhood
- Cooking together
- Shopping

20% Just Being with My Host Family

- Their smiling greeting
- They were very kind to me
- They spoke slowly and clearly to me
- “I made a real family in Ohio”

11% Just Being with My Host Brother or Sister

- Talking together
- Teaching Origami—my host brother worked hard and it made me so happy!
- Playing sports
- Going to a neighborhood party
- Playing on the trampoline together
- Going to a babysitter with my host sister
- Attending camp together
- Horseback riding

8% Regular Life

- I talked to many people / I made friends / I met many sweet people
- I could see many stars at night
- I ate raw corn
- I learned about Ohio Culture
- I loved everything that I could not experience in Japan

20% Everything! — “Sorry I can’t choose! I liked every day!”

***95% of exchange youth rated their Ohio homestay as excellent.
99% of exchange youth recommended their hosts families for the future.***



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