Come explore … Finland in 2019! …with States’ 4-H & Ohio 4-H!

Who: Ohio Youth ages 15-18 (15 by departure date & still 18 on return date) (Cannot be a college student.)

What: Travel to Finland with 4-H youth from across the U.S. Live with 1-2 Finnish host families* during your stay! Visit the land of the midnight sun, where the sun shines nearly 24 hours a day! A day-trip to Estonia is included! *Host Sibling of same age not guaranteed

When: June 26 - July 27, 2019

Where: One night Departure Orientation in a U.S. gateway city prior to flight to Helsinki where there will be an Arrival Orientation to introduce you to Finland. One night in Helsinki prior to your return home.

How: This exchange is coordinated with the Finnish 4-H in Helsinki.

Cost: Appx. $2,500 (reduced from $4,300) after selected youth receive $1,800 base scholarship. Additional discounts per previous exchangee hosted! Price also depends on exchange rate & airfare. Includes:

- Administrative Support from Ohio 4-H, States’ 4-H, and 4-H Norge programs
- Round-Trip Airfare
- Orientations in Columbus, U.S. gateway city & Helsinki
- Pre-return De-Briefing in Helsinki
- Medical & Accident Insurance
- Tee-shirts, luggage tags and passport carrier
- Sightseeing & cultural excursions
- A one-week at “Nordic Camp” in Denmark
- In-Finland expenses (lodging, meals, most transportation, etc.)
- A portion of Adult Chaperone expenses (beginning in U.S. gateway city)

Scholarships: An $1,800 base scholarship will be automatically awarded to all 4-H youth selected for this program. Additional discount per previous exchangee hosted through Ohio 4-H. ** Scholarship amounts could change and will be finalized Dec. 9. Applicants may withdraw with no penalty at that time.

Application Deadline: (FIRM!) November 30, 2018: Application + $1,500 (MUST read “Instructions” on website first)

Required Interviews: Dec. 8, 2018 - Columbus (at least one parent must accompany)

Required Orientation: Spring 2019 - Columbus (Exact date TBA – at least one parent must accompany participant)

Payment Schedule: (Airfare is estimated. Trip price will be adjusted in February after air tickets are purchased.)

- Nov. 30, 2018: (DEADLINE FIRM) Application + $1,500 (you MUST read the on-line “Instructions” first)
- April 15, 2019: TBA; depends on airfare, exchange rate and other variables
- May 1, 2019: $250

Cancellation Policy: (Cancellations must be made in writing)

- If you are NOT selected: Full refund.
- If you ARE selected and cancel before January 31 (refund minus $300); after January 31 (no refund).

For more information: www.ohio4h.org/youth/international

(You MUST read the “2019 Instructions & Requirements for Completing Outbound Application” before submitting. This document is posted to our website each September.)

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