



## Come explore ... **JAPAN in 2019!** ... with States' 4-H and Ohio 4-H

- Who:** Ohio Youth ages 12-18 (12 by departure date & still 18 on return date) (Cannot be a college student.)
- What:** Travel to Japan with 4-H youth from across the U.S. Live with a Japanese host family during your stay! Some youth will have the opportunity to attend a Japanese school with the host sibling.
- When:** **July 10 - August 8, 2019 (or June 12 - Aug. 8 if doing Language Program - see box below)**
- Where:** Overnight Departure Orientation on the west coast prior to flight to Tokyo where there will be an overnight Arrival Orientation to introduce you to Japan. One night in Tokyo prior to your return home.
- How:** This exchange is coordinated with the Labo Foundation in Japan, which has been exchanging with Ohio 4-H since 1979.

**Cost:** Appx. \$3,625. Price depends on exchange rate & airfare. Includes:

- Administrative Support from Ohio 4-H, the Japanese Labo Foundation and "States' 4-H International Programs"
- Round-Trip Airfare
- Orientations in Columbus, Seattle & Tokyo
- Pre-return De-Briefing in Tokyo
- Medical & Accident Insurance
- Tee-shirts, luggage tags and passport carrier
- In-Japan expenses (transport, lodging, meals, Labo Camp)
- A portion of Adult Chaperone expenses (beginning in U.S. gateway city)

### Optional Second Month in Japan: Language Program

**What:** Travel to Japan one month prior to the "regular" homestay to attend intensive Japanese language classes and participate in cultural excursions (June 12-July 10).  
Live with a host family!

**When:** **June 12 – July 8, 2019**

**Cost:** Appx. \$5,175 for 2-months  
+ weekday lunches ~ \$10 daily

**Scholarships:** An \$1,800 base scholarship will be automatically awarded to all 4-H youth selected for this program, reducing the original price of \$5,425 to \$3,625. Additional discounts per previous exchangee hosted through Ohio 4-H are also given.  
\*\* Scholarship amounts could change and will be finalized in early Dec. Applicants may withdraw with no penalty at that time.

**Application Deadline:** **November 30, 2018 (FINAL!)**

**Required Interviews:** **December 8, 2018 - Columbus** (at least 1 parent must accompany)

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

**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)
- Feb. 1, 2019: 2-month Japan = \$500. (No payment due for 1-month Japan)
- April 15, 2019: (TBA; depends on airfare, exchange rate and other variables)
- May 1, 2019: (\$250 for 1-month youth) (\$750 for 2-month youth)

**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](http://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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