Spend a **SUMMER ABROAD**
and immerse yourself in another culture!

### 2015 JAPAN EXCHANGE

**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.

**Who can apply:**
4-H youth who want to learn first-hand about another culture and gain a global perspective. Must be age 12-18 from the first day to the last day of the exchange (you must not be in college)

**How to apply:**
Contact Michigan 4-H Coordinator, Nancy Victorson at nvictors@anr.msu.edu or (906) 293-3203

**Application & Payment Deadlines:**
- Dec. 15: Application & $1,000
- Feb. 1: $2,000
- Mar. 1: Medical form & Passport copy
- May 1: Remaining balance

**For more information:**
- www.states4hexchange.org
- www.facebook.com/states4hexchange
- exchange@states4h.org
- (206) 462-2200
- (800) 407-3314

**Cancellation Policy:**
- Payments NOT refundable after each deadline. (Air ticket is issued by end of January and is NOT refundable once issued)
- For exceptional circumstances, refunds are made on a case-by-case basis

**Program details subject to change**

Curious about how the other side of the world lives? Live with a host family in Japan and immerse yourself in a world that most tourists rarely get to see. You’ll share everyday life with friends and relatives in the community and build friendships that will last a lifetime. An adult chaperone will travel with the delegation on all international flights and stay in Japan for the entire exchange period to assist with any concerns.

**Program Options:**

#### 8 week Nihongo Program: June 10-August 6, 2015

(Maximum 17 delegates)

For the **first 4 weeks**, stay with a host family in the Tokyo area, while attending an intensive **Japanese language program**. After 4 weeks of the language program, you will move to a second host family for **regular 4-week homestay** (see below). **$3,190 plus airfare**. ***Current airfare estimate: $1,600-$2,500.***

#### 4 week Homestay Program: July 8-August 6, 2015

(No maximum group size)

Live with a Japanese host family for the month and experience daily life. You will be placed with a host sibling of the same gender with similar age. A group camp is offered through Labo & Utrek. **$1,990 plus airfare.** Current airfare estimate: $1,600-$2,500.

**Program Fees Includes:**
- Overnight Orientation in U.S. gateway city & in Tokyo
- Labo camp, Utrek camp, or Lex cultural excursion
- In-Japan expenses: transportation, lodging, meals
- Orientation materials and t-shirts
- Accident & Sickness Insurance
- A portion of adult chaperone expenses
- Nihongo Program fees include the 4-week Japanese language program: language learning in a classroom setting and cultural excursions outside of classroom. Lunch not included on weekdays during language classes ($7-10/day)

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**Non-Discrimination Statement**
As an organization comprised of 4-H members, 4-H prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, creed, sex, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, or marital or family status.