

# 2012 Hosting Opportunities

*Opportunities Are In Order By Date*

## Japan –

Ages: 12-18 years old  
Dates: Approx. July 22 – August 18 (4 weeks)

## Korea –

Ages: 12-18 years old  
Dates: Approx. July 22 – August 18 (4 weeks)

## Mexico –

Ages: 12-18 years old  
Dates: Approx. July 3 – July 29 (3 weeks)  
*Some knowledge of Spanish preferred*

## Argentina\* –

Ages: 15-18 years old  
Dates: July 10 – August 6 (4 weeks)

## Finland\* –

Ages: 15-18 years old  
Dates: Approx. July 3 – July 29 (4 weeks)  
*Finland host opportunity even-numbered years Only*

**Chaperones have two homestays during trip**

\* Depends on Delegate Availability

## For More Information

County 4-H contact:

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### WI 4-H International website:

<http://wi4hinternational.org/>



Scan this code with your smart phone for more information!

**UW  
Extension**

University of Wisconsin-Extension, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title IX and ADA.

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# 2012 Wisconsin 4-H International Summer Hosting Opportunities

**Invite a young person from around the world to spend a month with your family!**




**4-H Youth Development Programs  
UW-Extension, Cooperative Extension**

## The Global Connection

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We live in a world community. This realization makes it imperative for each of us to think beyond our national boundaries. One way to learn about the people from other cultures is to live, work and play side-by-side as family members. These types of cross-cultural experiences promote global education, understanding and peace.



**Wisconsin 4-H International Programs encourage young people and families from different cultures to establish close relationships through exchange experiences.**

## Purpose of the Program

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- 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.



## As a Host Family You Need To:

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- Welcome the exchangee into your home and treat them as a member of your family.
- Learn about their country, family and way of life so you can share what you have in common and those things that may be unique in your lives.
- Provide an opportunity for exchangee to meet other youth and adults from your community.
- Participate in typical 4-H activities such as county fair, club meetings, etc.
- Visit local attractions, i.e. schools, parks, museums.
- Teach about our culture and help others learn about the exchangee's culture.
- Know this is a fun, rewarding, and educational experience.

## Expectations

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- Host families must have a child of the same gender and within 2 years of the same age as the exchangee. (*Families without children may host a chaperone.*)
- The host sibling must keep the exchangee uppermost in mind during the hosting month, making sure the exchangee feels comfortable around friends and is included in activities.
- Be flexible, patient, and willing to communicate both verbally and non-verbally with your exchangee. Most participants have limited English communication skills.
- Contact the State 4-H Office immediately if illness or other major problems occur.
- Attend an orientation session(s) and a mid-point gathering.
- Read any material from Wisconsin 4-H International Programs thoroughly and ask if questions arise.
- Include the exchangee in all family activities.
- Provide the delegate with meals and lodging. The exchangee does not need their own room, but their own bed is required.
- Have fun!

