

# **2022 TAIWAN EXCHANGE**

Join a HOMESTAY EXCHANGE and immerse yourself in another culture!







Are you curious about daily life, culture, and 4-H in other countries?

Stay with a host family in Taiwan and immerse yourself in a world that most tourists rarely get to see.

You'll share everyday life with friends and relatives in your host community and build friendships that will last a lifetime.

# STATES' 4-H INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM DETAILS:

Dates: July 20 — August 18, 2022

Capacity: 10 delegates maximum, 5 delegates minimum

Cost: \$2,450 + airfare estimate (\$1,300 - \$2,300) + \$50 travel agent fee

(Airfare varies based upon applicant's location)



Delegates arrive in Taipei for a two-night arrival orientation led by Taiwan 4-H, which includes an introduction to Taiwanese culture and basic language phrases. Afterwards, delegates meet their host family and begin their homestay. Delegates may have 2 different host families during the program. The program concludes with sightseeing and cultural excursions in Taipei along with a departure debriefing.

# **Program Fees Include:**

- Overnight National Departure Orientation in U.S. gateway city
- Two-night arrival orientation in Taipei
- Sightseeing and cultural excursions in Taipei
- In- Taiwan expenses: lodging, meals, transportation
- 4-H International Exchange Camp
- Orientation materials and States' 4-H t-shirts
- Accident & Sickness Insurance
- A portion of adult chaperone expenses

# **Program Timeline\*:**

January 15: Application & \$1,500 first deposit due to States' 4-H Office\*\*

February: States' 4-H notifies applicant of acceptance

March 15: \$1,500 second deposit due to States' 4-H Office

March 15: Medical form & Passport due to States' 4-H Office

April: States' 4-H issues air tickets
Early Spring: State-level orientations

May 1: Third and final deposit due to States' 4-H Office
Late Spring National orientation for all Taiwan delegates

July 20: Students fly to a U.S. gateway city for National Departure

Orientation the day before the international flight.

\*Some states may have an earlier timeline set in order to approve documents before they are forwarded to the National Office.

\*\*First payment will not be deposited until applicant is accepted in February



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**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.







"I had such an astonishing experience, one that surely will influence me for the rest of my life. I feel like I've grown as a person, and my perspective on the world has changed drastically."

-States' 4-H Outbound Alumna

#### Who can apply:

4-H youth who want to learn first-hand about another culture and gain a global perspective. Must be between ages **12-18** at the time of international travel. (you must not be in college). 4-H enrollment guidelines and ages vary by state.

### How to apply:

Contact your local 4-H coordinator to apply and learn about your local deadlines and to access the application.

### **Program Policies:**

- Program Cancellations:
  - \* Prior to March 31, 2022: \$100 cancellation fee. The remaining amount of program deposits will be refunded.
  - \* After April 1, 2022: No refund of paid deposits, unless full program cancelled by States' 4-H
- Airfare is non-refundable once issued
- In-State Fees may apply
- Unaccompanied Minor fees may apply (up to \$150 each way)
- No donor checks are accepted by the States' 4-H Office, donors must send checks directly to the delegate
- Program details subject to change

#### FAQs:

#### Q: Will a chaperone accompany the group?

**A:** Yes! Adult chaperones accompany the group during international travel and remain in-country to provide support during the exchange.

## Q: Do I need to speak Taiwanese?

**A:** No prior language study is required, but it is certainly helpful! Our international partners have English-speaking staff on hand to assist you in communication.

#### Q: How will States' 4-H prepare me for my homestay?

**A:** States' 4-H provides travel handbooks that cover everything from packing lists to financial matters to cultural information. In addition, each state may conduct a spring orientation covering these topics. Delegates also receive details during the States' 4-H group conference call in late spring and a National Departure Orientation the day before the international flight.

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