



Looking at 2007-2007 International Exchange Programs

Oregon 4-H will be participating on the following 4-H international exchange programs during 2006-2007.

Inbound Programs (hosting opportunities for Oregon families)

Japan: During the summer of 2007 Oregon will be host to 50 youth delegates and 5 adult delegates from Japan. They will be in the state staying with a host family between July 25 and August

23. Host families must have same gender youth within 2 years of age of the delegate. Delegates range in age from 12-18. Be watching for additional details and host family application materials. During the summer of 2006 delegates were hosted in Benton, Clatsop, Coos, Crook, Deschutes, Grant, Harney, Jackson, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Polk counties.

Oregon also hosts Japanese high school students for a school-year experience. Additional details on this program are available by contacting the State 4-H Office.

Germany: Between October 1 and December 14, 2006, Oregon will be host to an IFYE delegate from Germany. The young man is 23, and a student looking to take over his family dairy and grain farm. Families usually host for about 3 weeks on this program.

Finland: Oregon may have the opportunity to host youth from Finland between June 15 and July 16, 2007. As soon as we know we will be looking for host families for this program. The teens will be age 15-19, and host families must have same gender youth within 2 years of age of the delegate.

Outbound Programs

(opportunities for Oregon youth to learn the culture of another country through a host family experience)

Japan: Oregon youth have two opportunities to experience the culture of Japan through a host family experience.

- Four-week Program (mid-July to mid-August). Youth between the ages of 13-18 are eligible to apply. Approximate cost in 2006 was \$3,100. **Application deadline is January 15, 2007.**
- Nihongo (eight-week) Program (mid-June to mid-August). In addition to the host family experience, the delegates on this program receive intensive, innovative, and fun language instruction. Youth between the ages of 14-18 are eligible to apply. Approximate cost in 2006 was \$3,950. **Application deadline is January 15, 2007.**

Finland: Oregon youth ages 15-19 will have the opportunity to apply for this host family experience. The program is scheduled for June 16-July 17, 2007. Approximate cost will be \$2,600 plus the cost of the roundtrip airfare from Oregon to Chicago. **Application deadline is January 15, 2007.**

Australia: Oregon youth ages 16-18 will have the opportunity to apply for this "farm" host family experience. The program is scheduled for June 20-July 20, 2007. Approximate cost will be \$4,000. **Application deadline is December 15, 2006.**

Mexico: Oregon youth ages 15-18 will have the opportunity to apply for this host family experience. The program is scheduled for July 6-July 26, 2007. Approximate cost will be \$1,500. **Application deadline is December 15, 2006.**

Puerto Rico: Negotiations are currently being held to develop an exchange opportunity with Puerto Rico. Be watching for additional information.

- All outbound programs are group experiences, with one or more adult group leaders traveling with the delegates.
- Complete information is available on the state 4-H website: <http://Oregon.4H.oregonstate.edu>.