Summer 2013
Experience Japan without leaving home!

Open your home to a short-term exchange youth and open your lives to the world! Alaskan families with children aged 10 to 16 have an opportunity to experience Japan by hosting a Japanese student July 21 to August 19 through the 4-H Exchange Program. 4-H is a national youth leadership development program administered by the University of Alaska Fairbanks Cooperative Extension Service.

Our Japanese delegates arrive prepared share Japanese culture and maybe cook a Japanese meal for your family. You don’t need to speak Japanese or be involved with 4-H to host. You just need a willingness to share your lives and your friendship with a young person from another country. You don’t need a fancy home or to plan special activities. Our Japanese delegates are eager to experience “everyday” life in Alaska and to do whatever your family normally does. Their parents can pay costs for them to attend camp with their host brother or sister. They can travel within Alaska and visit school with their host sister or brother. There is no fee for a host family to participate.

We are in need of ten host families. Please be one of them! Encourage a friend to host! A Japanese boy or girl will be matched to each host family based on the host youth’s gender, age and interests. The homestays are only for a few weeks during the summer, but the experience and friendships will last a lifetime!

For more information, visit
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