

# **2025 OKFriends Homecoming Teens & Youth Camp (4th)** **(2025 OKFriends Homecoming Young Camp)**

We invite overseas Korean and young adults to visit their proud homeland, Korea. The program offers the opportunity to experience Korea's work culture and gain information about the employment and startup environment to young people interested in employment or starting a business in Korea. Participants will grow into talented individuals who can contribute to the mutual development of both their country of residence and their homeland, Korea. We look forward to your participation in the 4th 2025 OKFriends Homecoming Teens & Youth Camp.

**Detailed Name:**  
**Overseas Korean Youth Employment & Startup Training Program**

## **1. Overview**

### **A. Purpose**

- To introduce Korea's employment and startup environment, as well as providing opportunities to experience Korean history and society for next-generation overseas Korean youth to foster Korean identity and pride
- To strengthen bonds among next-generation overseas Koreans and Korean youth of similar age groups, contributing to future-oriented mutual development
- To attract outstanding talents to Korea in response to domestic issues such as low birth rates and aging population

### **B. Qualification**

Overseas Korean youths aged 26 to 34 (as of Oct. 27, 2025)

### **C. Period and Number of Participants**

- 4th Youth Camp

Category	Training Program Period	Participant Quota
		Overseas Koreans
OKFriends Homecoming Teens & Youth Camp (4th) (Overseas Korean Youth Employment & Startup Training Program)	Oct. 27–31, 2025 (Mon–Fri, 5 days)	70

\* The above dates are subject to change.

### **D. Location**

- Seoul metropolitan area (Seoul) and other regions

### **E. Main Programs**

- Opening and closing ceremonies, sessions on Korea's employment environment and related information, Korean work culture experience opportunities, startup business planning, and networking with local next-generation overseas Koreans. (\* Refer to main program for details.)

## 2. Application

### A. Application Period

- Online application: Mon, Jul. 7, 2025–Thu, Jul. 31, 2025
  - \* Application deadline: 11:59 PM, Thu, Jul. 31 (KST)

### B. Eligibility & Preferred Applicants

- Qualifications
  - Age Requirements: Overseas Korean youth aged 26 to 34 (as of Oct. 27, 2025)
  - Residency Requirement: Overseas Koreans currently residing abroad legally for seven years or more
    - Overseas Koreans with foreign nationality, permanent residency, Korean nationals, adoptees, children of adoptees, and children from multicultural families
    - Must be in good physical and mental health, and able to fully participate in the program activities (e.g., training sessions, traveling)
    - Students involved in conflicts with the immigration control laws of the residing country are not eligible.
- Preferred Applicants
  - Those who have completed voluntary work in or contributed to the development of the overseas Korean community
  - Those who are currently active in outstanding next-generation organizations or professional organizations
  - Those who are recommended by the head of a Korean community or organization

### C. Application Method & Required Documents

- Application Method: Applicants should visit [www.korean.net](http://www.korean.net), create an account, and submit an application
  - \* Applicants must apply using their own account.
- Required Documents
  - Fill out the **required fields** in the online application form (Korean or English)
    - ① Application form and Personal data provision and use consent form
    - ② Self-introductory letter (Korean or English)
  - **Optional Documents** (Upload via the website)
    - ① Recommendation letter (e.g., Head of Korean community, Head of next-generation organization, chief of embassy or consulate)
- Notes
  - The application must be submitted online via [www.korean.net](http://www.korean.net) using the applicant's own account. Other submission methods will not be accepted (Parents, teachers, or others cannot apply on behalf of the participant.). All documents should be uploaded via [www.korean.net](http://www.korean.net).
  - E-mail, phone number, social media ID, emergency contact, and contact in Korea must be accurately submitted.
    - \* Enter a frequently used e-mail address, as announcements will be sent by e-mail
  - Any disadvantages due to missing documents or incorrect information are the applicant's responsibility. **Application may be canceled if any false information is discovered in the submitted documents.**

### 3. Selection Procedure & Criteria

#### A. Selection Procedure

Overseas Koreans Cooperation Center	Applicants	Competent Consulate General
Recruitment notice	Application submission	Applicant recommendation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Korean.net website</li> <li>• Overseas Koreans Agency website</li> <li>• Overseas Koreans Cooperation Center website</li> <li>• Next-Generation Overseas Koreans Homecoming Camp Blog</li> <li>• All Consulate Generals of the Republic of Korea abroad</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access <a href="http://www.korean.net">www.korean.net</a></li> <li>• Sign up or log in (ID and password)</li> <li>• Select program and apply</li> <li>• Upload the application form and required documents</li> <li>• Select your competent Consulate General</li> <li>• Check your application number</li> <li>• Check your e-mail to confirm your application</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collection of applications</li> <li>• Review of application forms and documents submitted</li> <li>• Selection of recommended students</li> <li>• Official letter sent to participants selected with priority</li> </ul>
Overseas Koreans Cooperation Center	Applicants	Partnering agencies
Selection of participants and notice	Check results	Announcement of program details
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final selection of participants</li> <li>• Participant Announcement               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Korean.Net website</li> <li>- Consulate Generals of the Republic of Korea abroad</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access <a href="http://www.korean.net">www.korean.net</a></li> <li>• Log in (ID and password)</li> <li>• Enter your application number</li> <li>• Check the result</li> <li>• You can also check the result through your competent Consulate General</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Separate announcement for entry and departure schedule and participation in events</li> </ul>

#### B. Selection Criteria

- Applicants who have submitted all the required documents will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
  - Relevance of the personal introduction (motivation, etc.) to the training purpose
  - Recommendation from the competent Consulate General; and
  - Community service and volunteer work records in the Korean community or in the country of residence (for reference)
- Disqualifying Criteria
  - Those receiving treatment for medical conditions with neuropsychiatric symptoms and who could experience shock, seizure, or display of abnormal behavior during the program
  - Those who require special attention due to severe allergies to certain foods that may cause seizures or shock
  - Those deemed unsuitable based on the program's objectives during the selection process

## 4. Benefits for Participants

Participants will receive benefits for airfare (economy class) based on a fixed amount per region, accommodation and meals during the program, program participation fees (including transportation costs), and individual travel insurance

○ Airfare subsidy standards

- **Reimbursement: Airfare subsidies will be provided after all program sessions have concluded, with payments expected to be made sequentially by the end of November 2025.**
- **Fixed-amount airfare support for round-trip economy class tickets based on region for program participation**

\* Fixed amount provided per region (based on place of residence), regardless of ticket price

\* Round-trip ticket from country of residence must be submitted for program participation (no restrictions on stay duration in Korea)

\* **Fixed amount of airfare supported per region (set at approximately 50% based on the average airfare during the camp)**

Region	Airfare Benefit (KRW)	Region	Airfare Benefit (KRW)
Asia	Region A: 200,000	Africa	800,000
	Region B: 250,000		
	Region C: 500,000	Middle East	800,000
Russia	600,000	North America	1,000,000
CIS	500,000		
Oceania	600,000	Latin America	1,200,000
Europe	850,000		

\* Asia Region A: East Asia (China, Japan)

Asia Region B: Southeast Asia (Malaysia, Vietnam, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines, etc.)

Asia Region C: Southwest Asia (India, Pakistan, etc.)

- All expenses related to accommodation, meals, activity fees, transportation, and travel insurance during the program will be fully covered
- \* **Participants will not be responsible for any additional costs except for personal expenses**

## 5. Selection Results & Inquiries

○ Selection results available:

\* Final participants will receive detailed guidance regarding program participation

- Before Fri, Aug. 22, 2025 on [www.korean.net](http://www.korean.net)

○ Inquiries (Overseas Koreans Cooperation Center)

- 2025 OKFriends Homecoming Teens & Youth Camp (4th Youth Camp)

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- Korean.net application system

\* For inquiries regarding the application system or Korean.net membership registration

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