

Summer Zoo Camp *where it's fun to be wild!*



Campers ages 3-5

Exciting Pre-K camps are a wonderful way for your child to experience all Summer Zoo Camp has to offer in a shorter day! Each session is limited to just 10 campers per group. **All campers MUST be potty-trained to attend these camps!** Please note that supervision is not available between sessions from noon - 1 p.m.

The Unhuggables

Some animals just aren't cute! That doesn't make them any less important to their habitats. Come find out why the 'unhuggables' are just as important as the 'huggables' in this creepy crawly camp!

\$106 Members | \$126 Non-members
Session A: July 1 - 5 | 9 a.m. - noon
Session B: July 1 - 5 | 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
(NO CLASS THURSDAY, JULY 4)

*4TH OF JULY
WEEK PRICING!*

Common Senses

Can you name all five senses? After this camp you'll be able to! Animals use their senses to find food, escape predators and take care of their young. Campers will touch, hear, smell and see their way through the zoo in this sense-ational camp!

\$130 Members | \$150 Non-members
Session C: July 8 - 12 | 9 a.m. - noon
Session D: July 8 - 12 | 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Dip, Dive, Duck, and Dodge!

Soar, swoop, scurry, scamper! Lunge, lope, lumber, leap! Animals have many ways of moving and for many reasons. Dash to the zoo and jump into this camp as we explore animal movement. This super-fun week ends with a parade on Friday!

\$130 Members | \$150 Non-members
Session E: July 15 - 19 | 9 a.m. - noon
Session F: July 15 - 19 | 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Feasts for Beasts

Do you know what your favorite animals at the zoo eat? We do! We'll explore animal diets and eat like animals in this tasty camp!

\$130 Members | \$150 Non-members
Session G: July 22 - 26 | 9 a.m. - noon
Session H: July 22 - 26 | 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Campers ages 10&11

Conservation Expedition

Our planet is amazing, from the soil that grows our food to the elephants we see at the zoo! We'll explore the wonders of our earth and learn how to protect it, both locally and globally. Field trip to Chittenango Falls included.

\$255 Members | \$275 Non-members
Session U: July 8 - 12 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Art 301

Some of the greatest works of art are nature inspired. In this camp, beginners and experts alike can get inspired by our zoo animals to create mixed-media art projects, sketches, sculptures, and more! Campers will be learning about nature photography on Friday, so feel free to bring a camera or mobile/electronic device to take pictures if you'd like. Camp culminates with an art exhibit on Friday for parents. Watch for your invitation to the gallery premiere!

\$215 Members | \$235 Non-members
Session R: July 15 - 19 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Around the World in 5 Days

You don't have to travel the whole world over to experience animals from Africa, South America and Australia! Each day, we'll visit a new location somewhere in the world and discover the exciting animals that live there without ever leaving the zoo!

\$215 Members | \$235 Non-members
Session S: July 29 - August 2 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Wild by Design

If you could design your own zoo, what would you do? How would you safely take care of dangerous animals like snow leopards and bears? How would you make your zoo appealing to the public? From zookeepers to veterinarians to educators, running a zoo takes a lot of people! Find out what it takes to run a successful zoo by checking out exhibits from behind the scenes, using biofacts to interpret animals to the public and creating your own zoo in this hands-on camp!

\$215 Members | \$235 Non-members
Session T: August 5 - 9 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Campers ages 6&7

The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

Everyone loves a cute, furry animal but some animals just aren't that cute! We'll take a look at the zoo's cutest, ugliest, weirdest and wildest animals through animal encounters, zoo tours, activities, games, crafts and more in this wacky camp!

\$175 Members | \$195 Non-members
Session I: July 1 - 5 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
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I Like to Move it!

Walk, slither, fly and crawl into this exciting week all about animal movement! We'll meet animals up close, create colorful crafts and spend lots of time moving around the zoo! This super-fun week ends with a parade on Friday!

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Session J: July 15 - 19 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Art 101

Explore your inner Picasso! Use our colorful zoo animals as your inspiration to create in this imaginative camp! You may find yourself sketching a salamander, painting a penguin or sculpting a skink as we explore the animal world with hands-on projects. To help unleash your inner artist, we'll tour the zoo, attend animal demos and meet animals up close. We'll finish the week with our very own art show for your family!

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Session L: July 22 - 26 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Most Extreme Animals

Do you know which bird is the fastest animal on Earth? Which insect is the best problem solver? Which mammal eats half its body weight in blood? Explore the animal world's most extreme animals, from bodacious bugs to marvelous mammals, in this extreme camp!

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Session K: July 29 - August 2 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

At Home in My Biome

From frozen tundra to misty rainforests, animals live in the most amazing places! Our zoo is home to animals from all over the world. We'll visit a new biome every day and learn about the plants and animals that call the zoo home!

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Session M: August 12 - 16 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.



Campers ages 12-14

Zookeeper Boot Camp

Did you know that most of the zookeepers who work here started their careers with domestic animals? Now you can, too! The skills learned in the contact barn working with animals such as goats and chickens apply across all departments in the zoo - from eels to elephants! Campers will spend a week in the contact barn getting their hands dirty through general animal husbandry activities, trying out their training and enrichment skills, and interpreting to and interacting with the public on a daily basis just as our zookeepers do! This camp is a work experience and campers should expect to get dirty, hot, sweaty and smelly as they face the challenges of being a zookeeper. This camp is specially designed for the camper with an animal-related career in mind.

Campers must have a negative tuberculosis (TB) test on file before their camp session begins. This test must be done yearly.

\$380 Members | \$400 Non-members
Session BC1: August 5 - 9 | 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Session BC2: August 12 - 16 | 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Session BC3: August 19 - 23 | 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Due to a hands-on format, this camp is limited to 10 campers per week. Please sign up for one week only, activities repeat every week!

Campers ages 8&9

Grossology

From penguin poop to vulture vomit, the zoo can be a pretty gross place! We'll explore the icky, yucky, gross side of working with animals, and find out why a little gross can be a good thing!

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Art 201

Kids and animals alike are crafty creatures! In this camp, we'll take a trek throughout the zoo to gather items to turn into art. We'll try our hands at some different projects throughout the week from drawing to painting to sculpting. Parents are treated to an art exhibit of our camp creations on Friday afternoon at pickup.

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Habitat Helpers!

Do you know what every animal on earth needs to survive? From deserts to the ocean, explore a different habitat every day and which animals live there through tours, games, activities and crafts in this around-the-world camp!

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Frequently Asked Questions:

What can my child expect at Zoo Camp?

Your child will participate in fun, hands-on learning that explores every aspect of our zoo. We provide every child with a camp T-shirt, water bottle and snacks each day. Each camper is expected to wear the camp T-shirt daily in order to identify them as a zoo camper to the public and zoo staff. If you would like to purchase additional T-shirts, please order online during the registration process.

What are the qualifications of the Zoo Camp staff?

All staff members have experience working with children. Camp staff pass a criminal background check and receive extensive training before camp starts. The camp director and other zoo staff are trained in CPR and first aid.

What if my camper has special needs?

Please contact the camp director, Kim Coons, at kcoons@rosamondgiffordzoo.org prior to registration to discuss your child's needs.

Will my child be able to go into exhibits with the animals?

We have a variety of outreach animals that your child may encounter such as snakes, insects and small mammals, and older campers may have the opportunity to go behind the scenes with keepers. For the safety of your children and our animals, contact with most animals is prohibited.

Can I stay with my child during camp hours?

Zoo Camp is about making new friends and memories, and parents at camp can inhibit a child's experience. Therefore, we ask that parents refrain from staying with their children during camp.

What if my child needs medication?

Zoo Camp instructors are prohibited by law from administering any medication to children at Zoo Camp except for Epi-pens in an emergency. Campers capable of self-medication must submit the provided form signed by both their doctor and a parent.

Why do I need my driver's license to pick up my child?

For your child's safety, we require that every person picking your child up from Zoo Camp be registered with our instructors. Before your child can leave zoo grounds, the designated person picking him/her up must provide a photo ID and sign for your child.

What if I need to cancel?

If your child is enrolled and you must cancel for any reason, your registration fee is non-refundable unless a child on the waiting list can fill your space. In the event the cancelled space is filled, a 25% processing fee will be deducted from your refund.

Summer Zoo Camp



July 1-August 23, 2019

Choose from eight fun-filled weeks of hands-on activities, games, crafts and animal encounters for ages 3-14!

ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9 A.M.

**March 20: Members
April 3: Non-Members**

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Registration Information

Register online at syracusezooevents.org/summer-camp
Online registration begins at

**9 a.m. March 20 for members
9 a.m. April 3 for non-members**

Register online and find out instantly if your camper is placed into the camp he/she wants! **To make this process as fair as possible, we do not accept phone or in-person registrations.**

Members: Please make sure your membership is up to date and you are able to access your reservation account prior to March 20. Call membership at (315) 435-8511 x8537.

What if I want to mail in my registration?

Registering online is your best chance to get your first choice. To mail in your registration, please visit our website: rosamondgiffordzoo.org/summer-camp and print a registration form. Mail-in registrations must be postmarked no earlier than March 19 for members and April 2 for non-members. All mailed registrations will be processed in the order in which they are received.

Can I register more than one child?

Yes! Registering multiple children for sessions is easy online! For mail-in registrations, please send separate registration forms (available online) for each child. If you would like your child to attend with a friend, please send separate registration forms together in the same envelope.

My child is smart for his age; can I register him for an 'older' class?

We feel that campers can maximize their Zoo Camp experience by interacting with peers at their own age level and no exceptions will be made to the age requirements. All sessions offer hands-on learning that is age appropriate. Please register your child for the proper age group.

What if the week I want is filled?

We maintain a waiting list for each session of Zoo Camp. If you are unable to register for the session you want, please email zoocamp@rosamondgiffordzoo.org to be placed on the wait list.

If a space becomes available during the waiting period, we will notify all parties on the waiting list for that session, and the space will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

New to Zoo Camp?

Please visit our reservation website before **March 20** to make sure your account is valid and you are able to log in. Please contact (315) 435-8511 x8537 for help or questions about your account.

Play Care is available for children who need to arrive early or be picked up late.

Play Care may include games or quiet reading and is not part of the normal Zoo Camp curriculum. Morning Play Care runs 8 - 9 a.m. and evening Play Care runs 4 - 5 p.m. You may register your camper for one or both sessions. Cost is \$50 per week per camper for either session; \$75 per week per camper for both sessions. Play Care is not offered per diem; you must register and pay for the full week. Pre-registration is required - no drop-ins. If you are late picking up your camper from the regular camp day or Play Care, late fees will apply.

For questions, please contact the Education Department at (315) 435-8511 x8559 or email zoocamp@rosamondgiffordzoo.org.



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