



# ZooCamp 2018

**Grunts and growls, hoots and howls . . . this camp is wild!**

ZooCamp is designed to provide creative opportunities for learning about the wonders of our natural world. Each day of ZooCamp is themed and is filled with up-close animal encounters, cool crafts and activities, guided zoo walks, snacks and lively discussions! Campers will have fun while exploring the wild world of animals!

## Enrollment Policy

- Registration deadline: May 31, 2018
- The ZooCamp sessions are grouped by grade level. For the benefit of the classes and campers, strict guidelines are followed regarding age ranges and grade levels. Campers should register for the grade level they will be entering in the fall of 2018.
- Registrations are accepted in the order that they are received by USPS mail, dropped off at ZooAmerica, or faxed. For security reasons, we cannot receive credit card information via email.
- Each session has limited space and is closed when filled, even if that happens before the registration deadline. A waiting list is kept for each session.
- A payment will only be processed if there is an opening. If there is no space available, your payment will be returned if paid by check.
- Once your registration has been processed, you will receive a confirmation notice by email. In addition, you will receive an Emergency Contact and Permission Form that **must** be returned to the zoo at least two weeks prior to the start of the camper's session.
- All programs are subject to cancellation if minimum enrollment requirements are not met.
- Campers are expected to be respectful and courteous to one another, as well as to all staff members, participate fully in the camp program, observe the camp rules, and respect the camp facilities.
- We reserve the right to refuse enrollment to anyone or dismiss without refund any camper for behavioral issues.

## Camp Fees

### Half-day Camp (1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

\*Pass rate: \$185.00     Regular rate: \$210.00

### Full-day Camp (1<sup>st</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

\*Pass rate: \$365.00     Regular: \$390.00

### Preschool Camp (ages 4 & 5)

\*Pass rate: \$160.00     Regular: \$185.00

**\*Pass rate includes ZooAmerica annual pass holders and Hersheypark® season pass holders. The pass # must apply to the individual camper and the number must be indicated on the Registration Form. To qualify for the pass rate, the camper must be a current 2018 pass holder at the time of registration.**

Full payment is required at time of registration. Credit card payment and registration can be done online. Acceptable payment methods include MasterCard, VISA, American Express, and Discover.

If paying with a personal check, make it payable to ZooAmerica Wildlife Park. Send check and registration form to ZooAmerica at the address listed below.

## **Food**

Snacks and beverages are provided for each camp session. Water is always available during each session. Campers are encouraged to bring personal water bottles. School-age campers attending full-day sessions must pack a lunch Monday through Thursday, and it should not require refrigeration or heating. Dinner will be provided on Fridays. Indicate any foodborne allergies on the Emergency Contact and Permission Form.

## **Medication and Allergies**

Medication cannot be administered or dispensed by zoo staff. Campers must be able to take their own medication. However, staff can carry medications and help children remember to take them. If your child has any food specific allergies, we will try to provide allergen free snacks. Your child is permitted to pack and eat their own snacks.

## **Arrival and Pickup**

**School-age Arrival** - Children may be dropped off no earlier than ten minutes prior to the start of camp. When dropping your child off for school-age ZooCamp (grades 1 – 12), you may use our back entrance rather than the regular entrance that the public uses. If you've never been to camp before, this gate (Gate C) is near the bobcat exhibit and the Woodlands Education Room where base camp is located. Try to park towards the right rear of our parking lot near the railroad tracks. Walk with your child to the right of the gray building in the lot. One of our counselors will be there to greet you. Chances are you will see some of our seasoned campers already heading in that direction. Follow them!

**Preschool Arrival** - Walk with your child to the main entrance of ZooAmerica where you will meet the preschool counselors in the Admissions area. If you are dropping off both school-age and preschool children, drop the school-age camper first by following the arrival directions listed above. You will then walk through the zoo to drop your preschooler at his/her camp location in the Northlands Education Room, located near Admissions.

**Pickup** - Children must be picked up within ten minutes after their camp day ends. Each camper needs to be signed out by an authorized person indicated on the Emergency Contact and Permission Form.

## **Emergency Contact and Permission Form**

The Emergency Contact and Permission Form **must** be completed and returned to ZooAmerica at least two weeks prior to the start of the camper's session.

## **ZooCamp T-shirts**

Each camper will receive a ZooCamp 2018 T-shirt. Please indicate a size preference for your child on the registration form. If you are unsure, order up a size. T-shirts cannot be exchanged for a different size in the summer. If you are interested in an extra T-shirt, indicate this on the registration form. Extra T-shirts are \$12.00 per shirt.

**Sizes:** Youth S (6-8); Youth M (10-12); Youth L (14-16);  
Adult S, Adult M; Adult L; Adult XL

## Staff

Camp sessions are staffed by qualified zoo educators and counselors who have experience working with children. Each staff member must pass a PA Child Abuse History Clearance and PA State Criminal Background Check.

## Supervision and Safety

Children are never left unsupervised. The counselor to camper ratio is 1:6 for all age groups which ensures thorough supervision and monitoring during all activities. Lead counselors and full-time staff members are CPR and/or first aid certified. On the Emergency Contact and Permission Form, indicate the names of all people authorized to take your child home.

## Weather

Camp activities occur in both indoor and outdoor settings. Our ZooCamp sessions operate rain or shine and campers should dress for the weather. Rain coats and hats are recommended if rain is in the forecast. In the unlikely event that extreme weather conditions occur, campers will be brought indoors to a secure area.

## Dress Code

No need to dress up! Campers should wear comfortable clothes that are appropriate for the weather, high-energy activities, and crafts. Sneakers are recommended. Footwear such as Crocs and similar shoes may fall off while exploring the zoo and during outdoor games. Flip flops and Heelys are not permitted.

## Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be received in writing by mail, fax, or email. For cancellations received more than two weeks in advance, a 75% refund will be provided. Refunds are not provided if cancellations are received less than two weeks in advance.

### Mail registration form and check payment to:

ZooAmerica Wildlife Park  
ZooCamp 2018  
100 W. Hersheypark Drive  
PO Box 866  
Hershey, PA 17033

OR

Fax - 717-534-3151

	<p>Contact 717-534-3900 OR ZooAmerica@HersheyPa.com</p>
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