The Zoological Society of Milwaukee's

SUMMER ZOO CAMPS

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We know you're excited about our classes, and we want to make your child's educational experience rewarding. Please read and familiarize yourself with important information, such as our health and safety precautions and general classroom policies on Page 29.

STROLLER SAFARI

Age infant–2 with one adult | $20 Zoo Pass members $30 non-members

Stroll through the Zoo on these guided tours designed specifically for one-on-one learning time for you and your child! Programs feature songs, puppets, stories and more. We recommend wearing close-toed shoes, warm clothing and bringing your stroller along. *All classes begin in the atrium of the Conservation Education building. Tours take place outside rain or shine.*

TIME TO PLAY

It's playtime at the Zoo! Are the monkeys jumping or swinging? Which animal's wild relatives use a leaf as an umbrella? Let's go find out as we learn songs about jumping monkeys and rainy days. Stretch and wiggle with us as we move our bodies in the way that animals do!

8:45–9:45 a.m.

June 7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 22, 24, 26, 30
July 6, 8, 9, 11

10:15–11:15 a.m.

June 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 22, 24, 26, 30
July 6, 8, 9, 11

NEIGH, OINK, CLUCK, MOO

Explore the sights and sounds of our fantastic farm animals. Listen to some noisy cows, hear the grunting pigs and see if the horse or donkeys will "neigh" for us. Get ready to practice animal sounds with your little one!

8:45–9:45 a.m.

July 13, 14, 18, 19, 23, 25, 27, 28, 29
August 5, 6, 7, 9

10:15–11:15 a.m.

July 14, 18, 19, 23, 25, 27, 28, 29
August 5, 6, 7, 9

AGE 2

with one adult | $30 Zoo Pass members $40 non-members

LITTLE LOVE BUG

Buzz around a beehive and crawl through an anthill in our classroom garden. Learn about beautiful bugs as you make your own bug costume and use your wings to flutter from flower to flower. Then see some friendly bugs up close.

8:45–9:45 a.m.

June 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 16, 17, 20, 24, 25, 27

10:15–11:15 a.m.

June 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 16, 17, 20, 24, 25, 27

COLOR ZOO

Red, yellow, green and blue — see the colors at the Zoo! From pink flamingos to green frogs, explore our vibrant classroom and play an animal color game as you learn about colors. Get your picture taken with your grownup for your very own Color Zoo book and meet a colorful Zoo animal.

8:45–9:45 a.m.

July 28, 29, 31
August 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15

10:15–11:15 a.m.

July 29, 31
August 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 15

AGE 3

with one adult | $37 Zoo Pass members $47 non-members

PENGUIN POWER

Dive into the world of penguins! Slide on your belly, balance an egg on your feet and "swim" in search of fish like a penguin. Waddle over to see the Zoo's penguins and check out some cool penguin eggs and feathers.

8:45–10:15 a.m.

June 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 11, 15, 20, 24, 25

11a.m.–12:30 p.m.

June 2, 7, 8, 10, 11, 15, 20, 24, 25

BEARS!

Catch fish, sniff out a "snack," and crawl into our cozy den as you learn about bears. Touch real bear fur and make your own furry costume. Then visit the Zoo's bears to round out a "beary" good time.

8:45–10:15 a.m.

June 28, 29
July 6, 8, 13, 15, 16, 18, 21, 22

11a.m.–12:30 p.m.

June 29
July 6, 8, 13, 15, 16, 18, 21, 22

NEW! NUEVO!

PODER DE PINGUINO

¡Sumérgete en el mundo de los pingüinos! Deslízate sobre tu estómago, equilibra un huevo sobre tus pies y "nada" en busca de peces como un pingüino. Acérquese para ver los pingüinos del zoológico y vea algunos huevos y plumas de pingüino geniales.

8:45–10:15 a.m.

Junio 17, 23

11a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Junio 17, 23

GENTLE GIANTS

Even grownups feel small next to a giraffe. Uncover fun facts about the world's tallest animals as you create a giraffe, complete with a long neck, dark tongue and lots of spots! Bend, stretch, reach and then gallop through the Zoo to see these long-legged creatures.

8:45–10:15 a.m.

July 26, 27, 30, 31
August 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13

11a.m.–12:30 p.m.

July 27, 30, 31
August 4, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13

Photo by Paul Ruffolo

AGES 4 & 5

child only or with one adult | $45 Zoo Pass members $55 non-members

Register your child to attend independently for a child-only class or attend with your child in a child & adult class.

JUNIOR WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST

Previously known as ZOO TRAVELERS FOR THE DAY

Create your own nature journal and then journey around the Zoo like a scientist "in the field" to find and observe animals. Which animals did you see on your adventure, and what captured your interest the most? Trek back to our classroom to design a miniature model of your favorite animal in their wild or Zoo habitat.

Child & Adult

9:15–11:30 a.m.	1–3:15 p.m.
June 11, 17, 24	June 11, 17, 24
July 15, 16, 18, 20, 22	July 15, 16, 18, 20, 22

ANIMAL CHAMPIONS

On your mark, get set … GO! Find out what makes an animal a champion in this action-packed class. Can you run like a cheetah? Can you "swim" like a penguin? Test your skills and then sprint into the Zoo to see some animal athletes in motion.

Child Only		Child & Adult	
9:15–11:30 a.m.		**9:15–11:45 a.m.**	
June 30		July 8, 9, 13, 15, 21, 22, 23, 24	
July 6, 7, 11, 14, 17, 19, 20			
1–3:15 p.m.		**1–3:15 p.m.**	
July 7, 11, 14, 17, 19, 20		July 8, 9, 13, 15, 21, 22, 23, 24	

JUNIOR ZOOKEEPER

Do you want to be a zookeeper when you grow up? If so, this class is just for you! We'll work hard as we practice the three main jobs of a zookeeper: feeding, cleaning and helping. Join us as we learn about these fun (and messy!) zookeeper jobs.

Child Only

9:15–11:30 a.m.	1–3:15 p.m.
June 22, 23, 26, 27, 29	June 23, 26, 27, 29
July 6, 17, 21, 26	July 17, 21, 26
August 1, 2, 7, 10, 14, 15	August 1, 2, 7, 10, 14, 15

FLAMINGOS

Did you know that eating shrimp gives these fabulous birds their pink color? Discover more fun flamingo facts like the unique way they use their beaks to eat. Build a nest and put on flamingo feet to stir up mud in search of shrimp. Flaunt your own feathered costume and fly over to the Zoo's flamingo flock. This class will be a wing-flapping good time!

Child Only		Child & Adult	
9:15–11:30 a.m.		**9:15–11:45 a.m.**	
July 26, 28, 31		July 29, 30	
August 1, 4, 7, 9, 11		August 5, 6, 12, 15, 16	
1–3:15 p.m.		**1–3:15 p.m.**	
July 28, 31		July 29, 30	
August 1, 4, 7, 9, 11		August 5, 6, 12, 15, 16	

"Thank you! The staff were prepared, enthusiastic and professional. Very pleased with the whole experience!!"

– Class Participant

AGE 4 & 5 WEEKLONG CAMP

child only | $285 Zoo Pass members $325 non-members

ZOO TRAVELERS

Let's explore the natural world and the plants and animals that call it home. With the Zoo, our backyard and the Nature Play forest as extensions of the classroom, follow your curiosities as you explore scientific concepts in a new way. We'll build a sense of community as we become scientists together.

8:30–11:30 a.m.	12:30–3:30 p.m.
June 12–16; 19–23; 26–30	June 12–16; 19–23; 26–30
July 10–14	July 10–14

AGES 6 & 7

child only | $85 Zoo Pass members
$95 non-members

SENIOR ZOOKEEPER

Would you like to spend your days making puzzles for animals, cleaning up pounds of elephant poop and hiding vitamins in food? Then being a zookeeper is the perfect job for you! In this camp, we'll become zookeepers for the day and get the inside scoop on how keepers care for the tiniest, largest, furriest, slimiest, most dangerous and cutest animals at the Zoo!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 15, 16, 19, 21, 28, 30
July 7, 11, 13, 18, 20, 24, 25, 27, 31
August 4, 8

ZOO AWAKENS: A NEW ZOO

It is a period of change. Secret spies have managed to steal conservation plans from the Zoo. Come aboard our starship to explore planet ecosystems, save the animals and restore freedom to the galaxy. May the Zoo be with you!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 12, 13, 14
July 7, 14, 21
August 2, 3, 10, 14, 16

CALLING ALL ZOO ARTISTS!

Artwork at a Zoo? Art is everywhere! Explore the Zoo, searching for art inspired by animals! Get creative and practice your own art skills while observing animals and wildlife on Zoo grounds.

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 15, 16
July 7, 10, 11
August 7, 8, 9, 14

BIG CATS

Lions, and tigers, and cheetahs! Oh my! Join us as we meet some "not so little" feline friends while visiting the Zoo's big cats! Prowl around the world and learn about these amazing creatures' habitats and the adaptations that help them survive in extreme climates. We'll also discover the traits that make big cats some of the toughest predators in the world. Cat lovers welcome – and dog lovers, too!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 15, 16
July 26, 27, 28, 31
August 1, 15, 16

Photo by Bob Wickland

AGE 6 & 7 WEEKLONG CAMPS

child only | $330 Zoo Pass members
$380 non-members

YOUNG CONSERVATIONISTS

Time for an expedition, we're on a mission to save the planet! In this weeklong camp, we'll explore what we can do to save wildlife and habitats around the globe, across the United States, and even in our own backyards! We'll take a look at some fellow conservation heroes, and learn about the actions they took to help care for the planet they love. So, pack your bags – you're in for a wild ride!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 19-23; 26-30
July 17-21; 24-28;
July 31-August 4

ZOOPER HEROES

Look up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's a Zooper Hero! Lightning speed, strength and invisibility – superheroes have awesome powers to help save the world. Many of those "powers" are found in the animals we see every day. In this weeklong camp, become a Zooper Hero as you discover "super-powered" animals that share their skills with superheroes we know and love!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 12-16; 19-23
July 10-14; 24-28
July 31-August 4

AGES 8 & 9

child only | $85 Zoo Pass members
$95 non-members

A DAY IN THE PAWS NEW!

Have you ever wondered what Chinook, the bear, was thinking about while snoozing in his hammock? Or, what does it mean when Bob, the cockroach, hisses? Get an inside look into how the Zoo cares for its animals and learn how to figure out what they may be thinking or feeling.

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 13, 14, 22, 23
July 13, 20
August 11, 15

WHAT'S UP, DOC?

Aspiring animal caretakers, grab your gloves, and get ready to learn all about one of the most important jobs here at the Zoo! As a zoo veterinarian in training, you'll learn how the vets keep more than 2,000 animals happy and healthy! Practice conducting health reports on some of the animal residents, and learn about important vet tools. Give this camp a shot if being an animal "doc" is in your future!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 29, 30
July 20, 21, 31
August 1, 2

AGES 8 & 9 3-DAY CAMP

child only | $200 Zoo Pass members
$230 non-members

ANIMALS AFTER DARK NEW!

Join the night shift in this three-day camp! Become an expert on the unique adaptations that allow some animals to survive in complete darkness. Tour the Zoo to observe nocturnal animals from around the world and learn about the special care the zookeepers provide for these creatures of the night. Use your new knowledge to complete challenges and build your ultimate nocturnal animal!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 19-21
July 17-19
August 14-16

Photo by Bob Wickland

AGES 8 & 9 WEEKLONG CAMPS

child only | $330 Zoo Pass members
$380 non-members

LET'S GET WILD: KOHL'S WILD THEATER CAMP

Love being creative and telling stories? Learn all about the world of theater with professional actors who work at our own Kohl's Wild Theater (KWT) company. Practice your acting skills with some of the best actors in Milwaukee, explore the different areas of theater that aren't about being on stage, work on your puppetry skills and explore the Zoo to find inspiration as an artist! Get the inside scoop on acting at the Zoo and be a part of the KWT company for a week of fun! ***Attendance for all five days is required; camp is for ages 8–11.***

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 26-30
July 17-21
August 7-11

STEM MAYHEM

Dive deeper into the world of animals as a scientist! Explore how math and science concepts can help save the planet. Develop tools for scientific inquiry with us at the Zoo. Each day we will do experiments that engage, challenge and spark wonder in curious young minds to explore the world around them. With a wide range of activities, there is something each day for every young scientist to enjoy!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 26-30
July 10-14
August 7-11

AGES 10 & 11

child only | $85 Zoo Pass members
$95 non-members

VET CAMP

The career of a zoo veterinarian can be challenging but rewarding! Through hands-on activities, learn the skills that are required to prevent, diagnose and treat injuries and illnesses in animals. Head into the Zoo for animal observations and discover how our Zoo's healthcare specialists treat more than 2,000 animals by adapting medical tools for patients large and small.

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 15, 26, 27
July 17, 18, 19, 27
August 3, 4

"WATT" IS RENEWABLE ENERGY? NEW!

Learn about the mechanics and importance of our renewable sources of energy! Discover how sun, wind and water can provide us power, and then design and develop your own miniature power plant. We'll test out your creations at the Zoo and see how much power we can get from nature!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 16, 28
July 13

AGES 10 & 11 3-DAY CAMP

child only | $200 Zoo Pass members
$230 non-members

NATURE THROUGH A LOOKING GLASS NEW!

Explore global and local nature while learning how to use a map and compass. Practice water quality monitoring by performing water testing at the Zoo. Map out where some of the most charismatic animals live around the world and learn how they meet their survival needs.

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 19-21
July 24-26
August 14-16

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9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 26-30
July 17-21
August 7-11

STRANGER FINS NEW!

When a young fish goes missing, an aquatic ecosystem discovers a mystery involving secret pollution, natural forces and one strange salamander. Dive into the world of roleplaying games! Learn about some of the Zoo's aquatic animals, build an underwater character for your quest and join the campaign to save your home!

9:15 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 19-23
July 10-14
August 7-11

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Photo by Bob Wickland

AGES 12–14

child only | $85 Zoo Pass members
$95 non-members

CRYPTOZOOLOGY

Cryptozoology is the study of "hidden" or unknown animals, called cryptids. Previous cryptids, like the giant squid and okapi, are no longer rumor and legend but actual creatures recognized by science. Others, like Bigfoot and the Loch Ness monster, continue to elude those who look for them. Join us as we "discover" cryptids from around the world and get the chance to create your own!

9:15 a.m–3 p.m.

June 22
July 7, 14
August 10

"WATT" IS RENEWABLE ENERGY?

NEW!

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9:15 a.m–3 p.m.

July 10, 28
August 8

FAMILY CLASS

all ages | $17 Zoo Pass members
$27 non-members

POLLINATOR ENCOUNTER

Discover the importance of insects, butterflies, birds, and bats in our ecosystem by investigating the pollinator garden and traveling to the Zoo's beehives! Walk away with a project that will support pollinators in your own backyard.

9:15–11:30 a.m.

June 24, 25

1:00–3:15 p.m.

June 24, 25

NOT ALL FAMILIES WHO WANDER ARE LOST

NEW!

Prepare to go on your own Wisconsin wildlife hike after learning how to use a compass, spot birds with binoculars and identify key plants. Bring your family to the Zoo and learn from the animals what it takes to survive in the forest in Wisconsin!

9:15–11:30 a.m.

July 22, 23

1:00–3:15 p.m.

July 22, 23

While we welcome family members of all ages, the content of this class is intended for children ages 3-14. Minimum of two registrants required and must include one adult (18 years or older) and one child. Children under the age of 1 are free to attend and do not need to be registered.

AGES 14–18

Are you 14-18 years old and interested in science, animals, working with kids, or simply volunteering in your community? Volunteer by becoming a high school assistant and spend time supporting our awesome Zoo Camps & Classes during summer! Check our website at **zoosociety.org/HSA** for details on how to get involved.

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A.M. & P.M. Care

Need to drop your child off early or extend the camp day?
We have A.M. & P.M. Care for ages 6-14!
A.M. & P.M. Care participants are supervised in our camp classroom with free-choice activities such as coloring, puzzles, books and games. Please note: A.M. & P.M. Care are only available for children who attend camps for ages 6-14.

- A.M. Care: 8 a.m. until the start of the camp day ($15 per session).
- P.M. Care: 3 until 5:15 p.m. ($20 per session). Late fees apply after 5:15 p.m.
- A.M. Care & P.M. Care will NOT be offered on July 6th and August 16th.
- **Space is limited.**

Financial Aid

The Conservation Education Department offers a welcoming and inclusive environment for all guests, providing opportunities for all to access our Zoo education opportunities. Financial Aid is an opportunity for families and individuals to receive funds for Zoo Classes and Camps. Award is based on demonstration of financial need and is offered on a first-come, first-served basis within the application window. Visit **zoosociety.org/education/financial-aid** for more information.

Register Online For Priority

ZOOSOCIETY.ORG/SUMMER

Member registration begins February 22 at 9 a.m.

Non-member registration begins March 1 at 9 a.m.

PLEASE READ!

GENERAL CLASS POLICIES

- Participants must be the appropriate age for a given class and no unregistered children may attend (including siblings). Exceptions on age are only made for children with special needs (please call Education prior to registration).
- If your child is attending a child-only class, an adult (18 years or older) must check the child in and provide the following information: emergency phone number, allergies/ medications and names of adults authorized for pickup.
- Only authorized adults with valid identification may pick up children.
- In addition, please do not meet or follow your child's group into the Zoo, as this is a distraction to the educational experience.

MEDICAL, COGNITIVE, BEHAVIORAL AND PHYSICAL INFORMATION

When registering, please thoroughly complete the "participant information" form with any medical and/or cognitive, behavioral or physical information. We strive to provide an inclusive environment for all, and your information will help us make the class successful for your child! You can also call our staff with updates at **414-258-5058**.

SNACK & FOOD ALLERGIES

If your child is attending a full day of camp, please pack a lunch and snack for your child and we will ensure that food is not shared among children due to food allergies. When registering, please complete the "participant information" form for our awareness with any food-related allergies or call our staff with updates at **414-258-5058**.

ANTICIPATE ENTRANCE GATE LINES

The time required to enter the Zoo can vary depending on weather, road construction, school groups and events. Please plan to arrive early. You may check your confirmation email or call the Conservation Education Department in advance of your registered education program for the most up-to-date entry information. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

CANCELLATIONS & REIMBURSEMENT

You Cancel – If you're unable to attend class, call at least 3 days before the class date and we will try to reschedule your child for another available date this season. We do not issue refunds; however, you can offer your child's class to a friend of the same age.

We Cancel – The Conservation Education Department reserves the right to cancel classes. We will attempt to reschedule, accommodate your child in another class, or process a reimbursement. For weather-related cancellations, refer to local news stations or call **414-258-5058**.

COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICIES

We are continually assessing community indicators to inform us of our status, designing Zoo Classes to ensure an engaging and safe experience for all. Classes that were offered in prior years may have modifications due to health and safety precautions. All classes will adhere to Milwaukee County health and safety requirements. Our health and safety policies and best practices can be found online at zoosociety.org prior to our registration date.

Get your Zoo Camp T-shirt for Summer 2023!

Zoo Camp T-shirts aren't just for campers! It's more fun when you match with family and friends. This year's design was inspired by our Giant Pacific Octopus, Chalupa. You can purchase T-shirts via our registration site until April 14, 2023.

Youth sizes | $13

Adult sizes | $15

All T-shirt sales are final.