The San Francisco Zoological Society
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The San Francisco Zoo Education Department is proud to provide many opportunities for all ages. To learn more about these exciting programs, please visit us on the web at www.sfzoo.org

The mission of the San Francisco Zoo is to connect people with wildlife, inspire caring for nature, and advance conservation action.

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Children’s Classes   Scout Programs
Early Education Classes   Teen Volunteer Programs
Adult Volunteer Program
Docent Tours   ZooMobile
Close Encounters   BikeAbouts

The San Francisco Zoo and Gardens offers one of the most educational and entertaining summer day camp adventures in the Bay Area.

Your child will go “wild” while learning, playing, and exploring at the San Francisco Zoo!

REGISTER ONLINE!
Visit www.sfzoo.org
Registration begins February 20, 2019
Surrounded by more than 250 species of animals, Zoo Campers learn about the world of animals and gain an appreciation of our natural world through fun and interactive activities.

**COURSE A**

**Session 1**

Pre-K/K (must be at least 4 years old)

- **Baby Animals**
  - Some hatch from eggs, some live in a pouch, learn about baby animals as we visit the Zoo’s newest residents.

- **Shapes and Patterns**
  - Spirals, waves, spots and stripes; travel along with us as we find patterns in nature.

- **Storytime**
  - Connects the Zoo’s animals to children’s literature and cultural stories.

**Session 2**

1st Grade

- **Here We Grow!**
  - It’s not easy being small. Find out how baby animals are born and how they grow up.

- **Animal Disguises**
  - Ever wonder why a penguin or an arctic fox has white fur? Wander through nature with us as we discover how animals hide.

**Session 3**

2nd Grade

- **Animal Geography**
  - No need to bring your passport as we “travel” around the world and meet animals from across the globe.

- **Pollination Power**
  - Follow the wind, bees, birds, and other animals as they pollinate plants and help grow our food.

**Course B**

**Session 1**

- **A Better Future**
  - Discover how humans affect our natural world and ways we can help preserve it for future generations.

- **Wonderfully Weird**
  - Come explore some “gross” habits as we meet some of nature’s more unique animals and plants.

**Session 2**

3rd Grade

- **Magnificent Migrations**
  - Move along with the animals as we explore migration: which animals travel, how they move, and why.

- **Super Senses**
  - Join us as we compare and contrast how people and animals use their senses to process information about the world.

**Session 3**

4th Grade

- **Energy Web**
  - What is energy, where is it from, and how do we use it? Learn about the flow of energy through the Zoo’s ecosystems.

- **Community Conservation**
  - Learn about the techniques scientists use to better understand our earth’s wonders.

**Course C**

**Session 1**

5th Grade

- **Energy Web**
  - What is energy, where is it from, and where does it go? Follow the path of energy through the Zoo’s ecosystems.

- **Sensational Science**
  - Investigate, observe, and record; explore the techniques scientists use to better understand our earth’s wonders.

**Session 2**

6th/7th Grade

- **Conservation Camp**
  - This two-week program offers curriculum focusing on conservation and science both locally and around the world. Campers will explore the scientific method, genetics, behavior, and adaptations while learning how to take conservation action. Conservation Camp includes 8 full camp days (Mon-Thurs with extended care available) and ends with a fun and educational overnight experience at the Zoo (on the 9th day, camp will begin at 4pm on Thursday and end at 9am on Friday).

**Session 3**

13-17 Years Old

- **Wellness 101**
  - This program will provide campers with an overview of the mission and purpose of zoos as well as hands-on experience with animal care, wellness, and enrichment. Participants will practice educational interpretation, get involved with conservation projects, and learn about a variety of zoo careers. This week-long program is offered for limited time.

**Teen Volunteers (14-17 Years Old)**

- **Zoo Teacher Assistant (ZTA)**
  - Assist the Zoo Camp Instructors in helping kids explore the world of animals through zoo tours, crafts, games and other activities at the Zoo. This program helps you gain practical work experience with children. Have a question about the ZTA program? E-mail youth@sfzoo.org or call (415) 753-8123.

ZOO CAMP SCHEDULE - SUMMER 2019

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*No Zoo Camp on July 4 and 5, 2019 – 40% off camp fee for a 3-day week.

PRE-K THROUGH 5TH GRADE

For each grade level, every week of camp has fun and exciting themes to explore. We offer three different courses on alternating weeks; choose either Course A, Course B, Course C or take them all for three weeks of Zoo Camp.

Zoo Campers are grouped by the grade level they will be entering in Fall 2019. For the benefit of the campers, we follow strict guidelines on age ranges and grade levels. Pre-K/K campers must be at least 4 and able to use the restroom on their own.

Enrollment:
- Registration for Zoo Camp 2019 is online at www.sfzoo.org/zocamp
- Registration begins February 20, 2019
- Sessions will close when they reach capacity. Additional registrants will be placed on a waitlist.
- We reserve the right to refuse enrollment to anyone or dismiss any student without refund for behavioral issues.
- Summer programs operate rain or shine.
- If you are unable to register online, please contact our Education Office.

Special Accommodations:
- We strive to provide an inclusive environment for all campers; lessons and activities are age-appropriate and designed for our unique styles. Zoo Camp staff are able to make activity modifications and appropriate accommodations for campers with special needs. The Zoo is wheelchair accessible and a limited number of wheelchairs are available for Zoo Camp’s use. If your child has a one-to-one aide in school, you will need to provide one pre-approved, certified aide for Zoo Camp as well. Please call (415) 753-8135 or email zoocamp@sfzoo.org to discuss your child’s needs prior to registration.

Cancellation Policy:
- Cancellations must be received in writing by email or fax.
- A 75% refund will be issued for cancellations received more than 7 days in advance of the event. The non-refundable 25% will be forfeited completely and is non-transferable. No refunds will be issued within 7 days of the event. No refunds or transfers will be issued for missed days.
- If you register for more than 1 session of either course (A, B, C, Conservation Camp, or Wellness 101), the Zoo reserves the right to cancel repeat courses at any time without notice. Extended care registration is per week only. Cancellation policy also applies to scholarship recipients and extended care.

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