

The San Francisco Zoological Society  
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The San Francisco Zoo  
Education Department  
is proud to provide many  
opportunities for all ages.  
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**ZOO CAMP  
FOR KIDS**  
Summer 2019

Children's Classes Scout Programs

Early Education Classes

Teen Volunteer Programs

Adult Volunteer Program

Docent Tours ZooMobile

Close Encounters BikeAbouts

For more information about Zoo Camp,  
please see [www.sfzoo.org/zoocamp](http://www.sfzoo.org/zoocamp) for Frequently Asked Questions.

SUMMER 2019



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Come to San Francisco  
Zoo Camp to play,  
explore, discover and have  
a really wild time.

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



*Drawing by Avery L.*

Get ready for the wildest place around!

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!



*Cub Photo: May Woon*

**REGISTER ONLINE!**

Visit [www.sfzoo.org](http://www.sfzoo.org)

Registration begins February 20, 2019



Surrounded by more than 250 species of animals, Zoo Campers learn about the wild world of animals and gain an appreciation of our natural world through fun and interactive activities.

| INCOMING GRADE LEVEL                          | COURSE A   | COURSE B   | COURSE C  |
|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Pre-K/K (must be at least 4 years old)</b> | <b>Baby Animals</b><br>Some hatch from eggs, some live in a pouch; learn about baby animals as we visit the Zoo's newest residents.  | <b>Shapes and Patterns</b><br>Spirals, waves, spots and stripes; travel along with us as we find patterns in nature.                       | <b>Storytime</b><br>Connect the Zoo's animals to animal characters in popular children's literature and cultural stories!                 |
| <b>1st Grade</b>                              | <b>Day In and Day Out</b><br>Meet some "early birds" and some "night owls" as we discover the difference between diurnal and nocturnal animals.  | <b>Here We Grow!</b><br>It's not easy being small. Find out how baby animals are born and how they grow up!                                | <b>Animal Disguises</b><br>Is that a moth or an owl, a penguin or an orca? Wander through nature with us as we discover how animals hide. |
| <b>2nd Grade</b>                              | <b>Animal Geography</b><br>No need to bring your passport as we "travel" around the world and meet animals from across the globe.  | <b>Pollination Power</b><br>Follow the wind, bees, birds, and other animals as they pollinate plants and help grow our food.               | <b>Exciting Ecosystems</b><br>Explore diverse ecosystems and find out how they support all sorts of amazing plants and animals!           |
| <b>3rd Grade</b>                              | <b>A Better Future</b><br>Discover how humans affect our natural world and ways we can help preserve it for future generations.  | <b>Magnificent Migrations</b><br>Move along with the animals as we explore migration: which animals travel, how they move, and why.        | <b>Change Happens</b><br>From dinos to birds, learn how animals have adapted and thrived in changing environments.                        |
| <b>4th Grade</b>                              | <b>All About Water</b><br>Find out how and why animals use it and learn what you can do to conserve it.  | <b>Wonderfully Weird</b><br>Come explore some "gross" habits as we meet some of nature's more unique animals and plants.                   | <b>Super Senses</b><br>Join us as we compare and contrast how people and animals use their senses to process information about the world. |
| <b>5th Grade</b>                              | <b>Energy Web</b><br>What is energy, where is it from, and where does it go? Follow the path of energy through the earth's ecosystems.   | <b>Sensational Science</b><br>Investigate, observe, and record; explore the techniques scientists use to better understand our wild world. | <b>Community Conservation</b><br>Get to know threatened Bay Area plants and animals and what you can do to help conserve them.            |
| <b>6th/7th Grade</b>                          | <b>Conservation Camp</b> 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 (9am-4pm 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). |  |   |
| <b>13-17 Years Old</b>                        | <b>Wellness 101</b><br>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 a limited time.  |  |   |
| <b>Teen Volunteers (14-17 Years Old)</b>      | <b>Zoo Teacher Assistant (ZTA)</b><br>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 |               |            |               |                 |
|---------------------------------|---------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 4 years old - 5th Grade         |               |            | 6th-7th Grade | 13-17 Years old |
| COURSE A                        | COURSE B      | COURSE C   | SESSION 1     | SESSION 1       |
| June 10-14                      | June 17-21    | June 24-28 | July 8-19     | June 10-14      |
| July 1-3*                       | July 8-12     | July 15-19 | SESSION 2     | SESSION 2       |
| July 22-26                      | July 29-Aug 2 | Aug 5-9    | July 22-Aug 2 | June 17-21      |
| Aug 12-16                       |               |            | SESSION 3     | SESSION 3       |
|                                 |               |            | Aug 5-16      | June 24-28      |

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

**PRE-K THROUGH 5<sup>TH</sup> 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. PreK/K campers must be at least 4 and able to use the restroom on their own.

**ZOO CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are awarded to qualifying families through a lottery system. Applications will be accepted from February 1 – April 1, 2019. To request an application, e-mail [zoocamp@sfzoo.org](mailto:zoocamp@sfzoo.org).

**LUNCHES AND SNACKS**

Please make sure to pack a low-waste lunch for your child if they are entering 1st grade and above. Small morning and afternoon snacks of crackers and water will be provided for each class.

**MEMBERSHIP**

To learn more about Membership benefits or to check on your Membership status, contact our Membership Office at (415) 753-7080 x7071 or e-mail [membership@sfzoo.org](mailto:membership@sfzoo.org).

**A TYPICAL WEEK AT ZOO CAMP INCLUDES:**

- Activities based on the weekly camp theme
- Zoo tours
- Classroom lessons with pictures and biofacts
- Animal encounters or animal enrichment
- Arts and crafts projects
- Group games
- Animal shows
- Educational videos
- Keeper talks and feedings



**FEES AND HOURS**

Children must be **at least 4 years old** to participate in Zoo Camp and should be registered for the grade level they will be entering in the 2019-2020 school year.

**Pre-K/Kindergarten**

9 a.m. to noon or 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
Members: \$225; Nonmembers: \$265

**Grades 1-5 / Wellness 101**

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Members: \$305; Nonmembers: \$350

**Grade 6-7 (two-week program)**

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Members: \$585; Nonmembers: \$685

**EXTENDED CARE**

Early drop-off and late pick-up are available to 1st grade and above. The a.m. Pre-K/K class may only register for early drop-off. The p.m. Pre-K/K class may only register for late pick-up.

Extended care is not an extension of the camp program, but rather a supervised playtime designed for those who need additional time to get to and from work or other commitments.

Registration is per week only; we are unable to offer a daily option and are unable to accommodate drop-ins.

There is a charge of \$5 for every 5 minutes your child is picked up after 5:35 p.m.

**EARLY DROP-OFF**

Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.  
\$35 for the week  
6th – 7th grade / \$60 for the session

**LATE PICK-UP**

Monday through Friday 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
\$60 for the week  
6th – 7th grade / \$90 for the session

**ENROLLMENT POLICY**

- Registration for Zoo Camp 2019 is online at [www.sfzoo.org/zoocamp](http://www.sfzoo.org/zoocamp)
- 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 multiple learning 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 be required to provide one pre-approved, certified aide for Zoo Camp as well. Please call (415) 753-8135 or email [zoocamp@sfzoo.org](mailto: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. In the unlikely event the Zoo has to cancel, you will be issued a full refund.

If you register for more than 1 session of each course (A, B, C, Conservation Camp, or Wellness 101 Camp), the Zoo reserves the right to cancel repeat courses at any time without advance notice.

Extended care registration is per week only.

Cancellation policy also applies to scholarship recipients and extended care.