

THE FLORIDA ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER



ZOO SCHOOL

Adventure everywhere you look.

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Holiday Camps
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FALL INTO WINTER 2011-2012



home school classes

FOR STUDENTS K-8 GRADES

Interactive and hands-on, these animal-based classroom lessons are followed immediately by application with an animal encounter and/or Zoo hike. Participants may express their creativity with themed crafts or experiments, and also interact with their peers in classroom activities. All students receive a certificate of participation. Parent involvement is optional. Any information regarding Home School will be kept confidential. Programs meet Sunshine State Standards in Language Arts and Science. Materials will be provided only to paying participants.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Ages: K-8 grade

Time: 10:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.

Cost: \$15 \$17

- Classes take place rain or shine
- Online registration is required no later than 2 weeks prior to class

CLASS SCHEDULE AND THEMES

2011

September 6 (Grades K-2) Excellent Experiments
 September 7 (Grade 3-5) How to Create an Experiment
 September 13 (Grades 6-8) Experimental Labs

October 3 (Grades K-2) Animal Attitudes
 October 5 (Grades 3-5) Animal Conduct
 October 11 (Grades 6-8) Animal Behavior

November 7 (Grades K-2) Food Web
 November 9 (Grades 3-5) Web of Life
 November 15 (Grades 6-8) Life Cycle

December 5 (Grades K-2) Tiny Wonders
 December 7 (Grades 3-5) Micro vs. Macro
 December 13 (Grades 6-8) Microbiology & Macrobiology

2012

January 2 (Grades K-2) Animal Protectors
 January 4 (Grades 3-5) Species Survival
 January 10 (Grades 6-8) Preservation Groups

February 6 (Grades K-2) Water World
 February 8 (Grades 3-5) Underwater Exploration
 February 14 (Grades 6-8) Aquatic Habitats

March 5 (Grades K-2) Florida Animal Homes
 March 7 (Grades 3-5) Florida's Helping Hands
 March 20 (Grades 6-8) Florida Conservation

April 2 (Grades K-2) Plant Producers
 April 4 (Grades 3-5) Seed Transportation
 April 10 (Grades 6-8) Plant Dispersal

May 7 (Grades K-2) Furry Friends
 May 9 (Grades 3-5) All About Mammals
 May 15 (Grades 6-8) Mammalogy



school holiday camps

No school? No problem! K-5th grade students, join Tampa's Lowry Park Zoo for fun and education during Hillsborough County's school breaks.

A typical day at camp may include:

- Zoo hikes
- Classroom lessons with pictures and artifacts
- Animal encounters and enrichments
- Arts and crafts projects
- Animal shows and feedings
- Keeper talks
- Educational videos

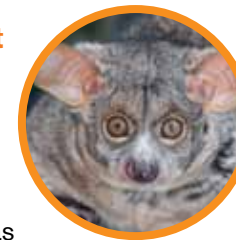
Time: 9a.m. to 4p.m.

Extended Care Hours: 7a.m. to 9a.m. and 4p.m. to 6p.m.

Creatures of the Night

Friday, October 21
 (Non-Student day)

The earth is still teeming with activity even when the sun goes down and we're snug in our beds. Join us as we uncover the incredible animals that wake up with the moon in this nocturnal camp.



Cost:

\$55 \$65 \$15

Manatee or Mermaid?

Friday, November 11 (Veteran's Day)

What could that beautiful creature be below the water's surface? Learn about one of Florida's most beloved mascots as we dip below the waves and come face to face with our enchanting sirens.

Cost:

\$55 \$65 \$15

Animal Transformers

Monday-Wednesday,
 November 21-23

(Thanksgiving)
 Caterpillars become butterflies. Tadpoles become frogs. Learn all about animals that change in size, shape, and color as they grow in this camp of terrific transformations.



Cost:

\$100 \$111 \$20

register online at
LowryParkZoo.com

Call of the Wild

Monday-Friday, December 19-23 (Winter Break)

Let's make some noise! Ribbit, hoot, squawk and roar along with some of our noisy critter companions as we discover the complex world of animal communication.

Cost:

\$175 \$195 \$25 FREE

Migration Marathon

Monday-Friday, December 26-30 (Winter Break)

Humans aren't the only ones who travel to far-away places. Journey around the globe with us as we explore some of the migrating marvels in the animal kingdom.

Cost:

\$165 \$185 \$25 FREE

For the Birds

Monday-Tuesday, January 16-17
 (MLK Holiday/Non-Student Day)

From ostriches to hummingbirds, our feathered friends come in many varieties. Join the flock as we experience the vibrant colors, melodious sounds, and incredible behaviors of birds.

Cost:

\$85 \$95 \$15





SLEEPOVERS AT THE ZOO

Join us for an amazing nighttime adventure—fun for kids of all ages! This unique program is perfect for birthdays, school groups, scouts, clubs and organizations.

Your exciting experience includes:

- Up-close encounters with animals
- A behind-the-scenes tour
- Theme specific crafts/activities
- A pizza snack
- Light morning breakfast

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Ages: 6 through adult

- 15 participant minimum

Cost: \$35 per participant

(1 free chaperone for every 10 participants)

- \$525 flat fee for groups under 15 participants

Time: Schedule 1 month in advance



THEMES

African Safari

Take a nighttime safari through dense forests and wide-open savannas to discover some of the animals of this mysterious continent.

Awesome Australia

G'day, mates! Head to the land down under for an awesome Aussie adventure where you will get to take a dip in the billabong and encounter some of the unique animals of this continental country.

Manatee Rescue

Join Tampa's Lowry Park Zoo's efforts to help save the manatees. Learn about our unique rescue facilities and spend the night side by side with our incredible gentle giants in the air conditioned Manatee Building.

Nocturnal Adventures

Experience life as an animal of the night! Find out who comes out when the sun goes down as you stalk and slither your way through the Zoo to see nocturnal animals in action.

Rainforest Quest

Did you know rainforests are home to over half the species of plants and animals in the world? Trek through the Zoo to meet some of the inhabitants of this diverse and delicate ecosystem and join the quest to save this important resource.

HAVE YOUR SLEEPOVER AUGUST - FEBRUARY AND SAVE \$7 PER PERSON (EXCLUDES SPECIAL EVENTS)



ADULT PROGRAMS AT TAMPA'S LOWRY PARK ZOO

FLORIDA ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

SEPTEMBER 2011-MARCH 2012



family ties

SPECIAL FAMILY SLEEPOVERS

MANATEE RESCUE
Saturday, September 17

ZOOBOO
Saturday, October 8
See page 7 for details about these events.

ZooBoo Sleepovers Available for Private Parties!

for the young at heart

ADULT PROGRAMS

Tampa's Lowry Park Zoo is proud to offer adult programs and continuing education classes through the Florida Environmental Education Center (aka "Zoo School").



VIP Guided Tours

Experience the Zoo... VIP style. Get in-depth knowledge about our animals and insights into how the Zoo works from a "behind-the-scenes" point of view. You will also get to create an enrichment for one of our wonderful animals.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Ages: 18 and up

Time: Approx. 1.5 hours

Tours are scheduled 7-days a week by phone. For Saturday and Sunday tours, please book early.

Cost: \$200, includes up to 4 adults.

- Payment is due two weeks in advance.
- This program is behind-the-scenes only. It does not include Zoo admission, nor is it required. Discount tickets are available.

Parents' Night Out

Looking for more than just a babysitter? Trust your children to the professional Education Department staff at Tampa's Lowry Park Zoo. Take advantage of our reliable service that includes entertainment, a pizza snack, and drinks while you go out and have a wild time!

PROGRAM INFORMATION

1st Saturday of each month (2nd Saturday in November)

Ages: 3-12 (must be potty trained)

Time: Drop off at 5:30p.m. Pick up at 11p.m.

Cost: \$30 for one child, \$10 for each additional child
Online registration is required no later than 2 weeks prior.

Drop N' Shop Help for the Holidays

Let us help you during this busy time of the year. While you are getting some of your holiday shopping and errands done, your child will be hiking through the Zoo, visiting live reindeer, enjoying an animal encounter/enrichment, and making holiday crafts. All this is topped off with hot cocoa and cookies!

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Ages: 3-12 (must be potty trained)

Dates: December 10, 11, 17, and 18

Time: Drop off at 9:30a.m.

Pick up at 3:00p.m.

Cost: \$30 for one child, \$10 for each additional child
Online registration is required no later than 2 weeks prior.
Space is limited!

- Must bring snack and lunch

backyard habitat

IT'S TIME TO GO GREEN!

Through classroom time, hands-on activities, Zoo walks, and up-close animal encounters, you will learn the basics and tools needed to make your yard an awesome wildlife habitat.



PROGRAM INFORMATION

Ages: 18 and up

Time: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Cost: Includes Zoo admission

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CLASS TOPICS AND DATES

Classes are intended to build on each other, but may be taken separately.

Backyard Habitat Design 101

Saturday, September 3

The best way to begin a project is with a good idea, intensive planning, analysis of your site and proper design. Learn helpful hints to tackle the difficulties of converting your yard into a habitat.

Watering 101

Saturday, October 1

Water is vital for any yard or habitat. Discover unique and interesting water saving techniques in addition to learning about various water features that will help make your yard the perfect habitat for amphibians.

Planting 101

Saturday, November 5

Discover the numerous types of plants that provide the basic needs for a variety of wildlife. We will discuss techniques for proper plant selection while considering size, water needs, flowering (annual/perennial), soil types and light requirements.

Shelter Construction 101

Saturday, December 3

A shelter provides more than a place to stay warm and dry. It is also a home for wildlife and a place for them to raise their young. Discover the many shelters you can use to make your yard welcoming to various animals and insects.

The Birds

Saturday, January 7

Make your yard "for the birds"...literally! Find out what you need to attract specific bird species and determine the do's and don'ts of water features, plant selection, and shelter construction specific attracting to certain Florida native and migrating birds.

And the Bees

Saturday, February 4

You know about "The Birds" so now come learn the ABC's and 123's of bees and their buddies. We will discuss how to attract the best pollinators as well as how to safely eliminate unwanted "friends". These insect-friendly gardening techniques will enable you to assist your pollinator pals. Taking "The Birds" class prior is not mandatory.

ZOO FARI Saturday, November 5

Get ready for the 25th Annual food-fest at the Zoo! Sample food from more than 60 Bay Area best restaurants, enjoy open bars, and live music!

Tickets are all-inclusive and start at \$75.

Visit LowryParkZoo.com for full details about Zoofari and many other coming events.



family ties

EVERYONE SLEEPOVER AT THE ZOO!

Spend a fun family night at the Zoo. Sign up for one of these unique sleepover programs that everyone will enjoy.

Manatee Rescue Family Sleepover

Saturday, September 17

Learn about what the Zoo does to save Florida's gentle giant – the Manatee. Tour the world's only non-profit manatee hospital and rescue facilities and bunk overnight in the air conditioned Manatee & Aquatics Center.

ZooBoo Family Sleepover

Saturday, October 8

It's a spooktacular night to stay at the Zoo...if you dare! Have a goulishly good time as you enjoy the haunted houses, rides, and more at ZooBoo. You will also get to explore behind-the-scenes and meet nocturnal creatures during this sinister sleepover.

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Ages: K-5th grade students and their family members

- Children must be accompanied by an adult. Sorry, no "adults only."

Cost:

- \$28 per participant for Manatee Rescue
- \$40 per participant for ZooBoo (includes Zoo Boo event admission)

For a full list of Sleepover Programs, see page 3.

TO BOOK ADULT PROGRAMS, CONTACT

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Cancellation and Refund Policy

The Zoo reserves the right to combine or cancel classes/camps that have not met the minimum enrollment or if a venue becomes unavailable. For a full outline of this policy, and payment schedules, please see the full Zoo School catalog or visit LowryParkZoo.com. Prices subject to change without notice.



birthday parties that wow!

Looking for a wild way to celebrate a birthday? Have your party at the Zoo or the Zoo can come to you. It will be an event your friends will never forget!

Party Times:

- Saturdays and Sundays from 10-11:30 a.m. or 1-2:30 p.m.
- ZooBoo and Wild Wonderland parties are available select nights from 5:30p.m.–7:00p.m.

PARTIES INCLUDE

Up-close animal encounter, admission into the Zoo for the entire party, private air-conditioned rental space for 1.5 hours, birthday party host, age appropriate game or activity, a special gift for the birthday child, complimentary grain for the kids to feed the petting zoo goats, free parking, carts to transport your items to and from your car, and party supplies including plates, napkins, cups, forks, spoons, water and lemonade, candles, table coverings, birthday banners, and other room decorations.

ZooBoo and Wild Wonderland parties include admission into the nighttime event (instead of daytime Zoo access) and pizza snack.

Cost:

Prices start at just \$185 for up to 10 participants for Zoo Pass Holders. Options are available for up to 200 participants. A \$150 non-refundable deposit to hold your date and time is required.



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party at your place

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The Zoo-To-You "ZooVentures" team will bring some of their favorite feathered and furry friends to delight your guests! ZooVenture party visits are 45-60 minutes, include at least 4 animals and a gift! Only \$355, plus a mileage fee. For more information please call 813-935-8552 ext. 268.

family flock

EXCITING AND EDUCATIONAL FOR AGES 2-5 AND PARENTS!

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Time: 10:30a.m. – 11:30a.m. or 2p.m. – 3p.m.

- An adult **MUST** accompany child(ren).
- Classes take place rain or shine.
- Online registration is required no later than 1 week prior to the class
- Class sizes are limited to 15 children per day, so register early!

Cost (includes 1 child and 1 adult):

z \$15 NZP \$17

- Additional siblings \$5 each.
- Does not include Zoo admission. You must purchase tickets or use a Zoo Pass to enter the Zoo before or after class.

Journey through the animal kingdom using the letters of the alphabet as your guide. Each class will focus on a specific letter and the amazing, awesome, awe-inspiring animal it represents. Play-based activities may include animal visits, biofact viewing, games, crafts, songs, and stories. *See next page for holiday themed classes for this age group.*

CLASS SCHEDULE AND THEMES

September 6 (Tuesday) – Astonishing Alligators
 September 15 (Thursday) – Slothful Sloths
 September 20 (Tuesday) – Prissy Pigs
 September 29 (Thursday) – Lively Lemurs
 October 4 (Tuesday) – Marvelous Meerkats
 October 13 (Thursday) – Batty Bats
 October 18 (Tuesday) – Interesting Insects
 October 25, 26, 27, 28 – Consider Boo Zoo
 November 3 (Thursday) – Elegant Eagles
 November 8 (Tuesday) – Mischievous Monkeys
 November 15, 16, 17, 18 – Consider Gobble Gobble
 December 1 (Thursday) – Tenacious Tortoises
 December 6 (Tuesday) – Outstanding Okapis
 December 13, 14, 15, 16 – Consider Winter Wonders
 December 29 (Thursday) – Dynamic Deer
 January 3 (Tuesday) – Gallant Geese
 January 12 (Thursday) – Wonderful Wallabies
 January 17 (Tuesday) – Clever Camels
 January 26 (Thursday) – Fabulous Frogs
 January 31 (Tuesday) – Hip Hedgehogs
 February 9 (Thursday) – Quaint Queens
 February 14 (Tuesday) – Ravishing River Otters
 February 23 (Thursday) – Unique Ungulates
 February 28 (Tuesday) – Kooky Kookaburras



family flock Holiday Themed Classes

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Time: 10am-11:30am

- An adult **MUST** accompany child(ren).
- Classes take place rain or shine.
- Online registration is required no later than 1 week prior to the class
- Class sizes are limited to 20 children per day, so register early!

Cost (includes 1 child and 1 adult):

z \$20 NZP \$25

- No discount for additional siblings
- Does not include Zoo admission. You must purchase tickets or use a Zoo Pass to enter the Zoo before or after class.

Boo Zoo

October 25, 26, 27, 28

Join your favorite animal friends for a few tricks and special treats! Be prepared to meet creepy-crawly and slimy-squirmy animals while wearing your favorite disguise. Create a spooktacular craft, drink witches' brew, and munch on not-so-tricky treats. Plus, a visit from the Great Pumpkin!

Gobble Gobble

November 15, 16, 17, 18

Take a journey back in time to the Colonial Days and learn fun stories about Thanksgiving to share with your family. Construct a delightful centerpiece, enjoy apple cider, and gobble up some grub with friends. You will also get to meet "Tom" Turkey and discover how he became the traditional bird of this gracious holiday.



Winter Wonders

December 13, 14, 15, 16

Celebrate the sensational surprises of winter! Curl up with your favorite stuffed friend in front of our (pretend) fireplace for a magical story of winter wonders. Make a holiday present and enjoy hot cocoa and cookies. And remember to be on your best behavior because you never know who might stop in for a visit!

scout workshops SEE ANIMALS, HAVE FUN, MEET REQUIREMENTS!

Cub Scout Workshops

Tiger: Let's Go Outdoors

Wolf: Your Living World

Bear: Sharing Your World with Wildlife

Webelos: Naturalist, Forrester

All Cubs: World Conservation Award, Wildlife Conservation Pin

Boy Scout Merit Badge Workshops

Nature, Reptile and Amphibian, Mammal

Girl Scout Workshops

Brownie: Animals, Eco-Explorer, Senses, Watching Wildlife, Florida Manatee, Around the World, and Earth and Sky

Junior: Eco-Action, Plants and Animals, Wildlife, Florida Manatee, Water Wonders, and Rocks Rock

Please note that the Zoo does not provide the actual Scout badge. Contact your local council for information regarding the purchase of the badge.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

SCOUT WORKSHOPS CAN BE DONE AS A SLEEPOVER.

Workshops are 2 hours except Boy Scout Merit Badge Workshops which are 3 hours.

Cost: \$13 per scout (\$18 for Merit Badge Workshops).

- Minimum of 10 scouts or \$130 (\$180 for Merit Badge Workshops).

- Chaperone Ratios: 1:6 for Brownies; 1:8 for Juniors, 1:5 for Cub Scouts; 1:10 for Boy Scouts. Extra adults \$6.50 each

- Workshops do not include Zoo admission. Discount tickets are available so your Scouts can visit the Zoo after the workshop.

- A minimum of 2 weeks advance notice is needed to book a workshop.

- Must call to book.



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Camp Refunds:

An 80% refund will be given if the cancellation request is received 15 days or more before the first day of camp. A 50% refund will be given for requests made 14 to 10 days before the first day of camp. No refunds will be given for cancellations made 9 or fewer days before the first day of camp. Please note: There is a \$20 processing fee to reschedule 15 days or more before the first day of camp, and a \$25 processing fee to reschedule 14 or fewer days before the first day of camp.

Class Refunds:

An 80% refund will be given if the cancellation request is received 7 days or more before the class date. A 50% refund will be given for requests made 6 or fewer days prior to the class date. No refunds will be given on or after the class date. If you do not show up for class and have not previously cancelled, no refund will be issued. Please note: If you wish to reschedule a class, a \$3 processing fee will be charged.

All prices and dates subject to change without notice.



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- A subscription to Zoo Chatter, our award winning quarterly publication and events guide.
- Lower admission and pass holder nights during ZooBoo and Wild Wonderland.
- Gift shop discounts and more!



Get your Zoo Pass now to join in the Season of Savings.
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