Zoo Knoxville’s Wildly Fun Zoo Camp 2021

Summer

Cost:
$205/week for annual passholders and Circle of Friends members
$235/week non-passholders/non-members
3-day camps are $130 for passholders/members and $150 for non-passholders/members

Details:
Monday – Friday each week (except 3-day camps)
9:00am to 3:00pm for all age groups and camps
Bring a sack lunch and snacks, drinks will be provided.
Each camper will receive one camp shirt, a water bottle and backpack for each week of camp. Campers will be asked to wear their Zoo Camp shirt each day. Additional shirts may be purchased in advance for $12.

Registration:
Advance registration is required. Register online at zooknoxville.org.
Other camper forms will be sent to you with your confirmation.
Registration opens:
February 1st for annual passholders/Circle of Friends members.
March 1st for non-passholders/non-CoF members.
Closes one week before each camp starts, if it isn’t already full.

All camps are designed to be age-appropriate, so please do not request to enroll children in other age categories including older or younger siblings. Children with special needs may require a personal chaperone to be provided. Campers can attend up to three camps.

All camps are held at Zoo Knoxville rain or shine. Programs fill quickly and are on a first-come, first-serve basis.
Transfer a registration to another camp or a different camper: $15. Cancellations: until April 25th or 60 days before registered week of camp (whichever is later): Full refund minus $50 cancellation fee; After April 25th or between 60 days (whichever is later) and 30 days before registered week of camp: either $50 refund or transfer to another camper for $15 (parent must find replacement camper); Less than 30 days before registered week of camp: no refund. Prices subject to change without notice.

If you have questions, please contact zkfamily@zooknoxville.org.

2021 Zoo Camp Themes

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To check availability after February 1st (passholders) or March 1st (non-passholders)
Go to the registration page and click “Select Date/Time” for the camp age group and length (Mon-Fri or 3-day) you want. The first day of the next available camp(s) will be highlighted in gray. If the first day of the camp you want is not highlighted, it is full. If you receive a pop-up that says “There are no events available for your current selection” then all of the camps for that selection are full.

To get on a waiting list, please email zkfamily@zooknoxville.org with “Waiting List” in the subject line. In the body of the email include your camper’s name, your name, your phone number, and the date and age range of the camp you would like to attend. To make camp available to the most children, you can choose one waiting list per age range. We accept up to 5 names for each camp’s waiting list, so waiting lists may also fill.

4-5 Year Olds

**Dine-Mite!**
June 2nd-4th *

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**June 7th-11th**

**July 26th-30th**

**August 2nd-4th** *

This will be a week filled with fun and excitement as campers travel back in time to uncover some of the mysterious creatures that once roamed the earth. Campers will get to explore different types of dinosaurs such as the Parasaurolophus and the Tyrannosaurus Rex and learn about how scientists discovered these seemingly mythical creatures.

**Do You Feel That?**
June 14th-18th

June 28th- July 2nd

July 19th-23rd

How are animals able to hunt in the dark? How do animals know to run away from danger when it seems like nothing is around? During this camp we will focus on the senses that animals (and even people!) use when trying to search for food or avoid danger. Each day will focus on a different sense and include hands-on activities that give campers the opportunity to use and challenge their own senses!

**Where the Wild Things Are**
June 21st-25th

July 7th-9th*

July 12th-16th

Discover that wildlife is not only found in zoos but is everywhere around us! Campers will meet and observe animals to understand what it means to be wild before grabbing a magnifying glass and other science tools to go on the hunt and uncover what wildlife is hiding all around the zoo!
6-7 Year Olds

Zoorassic  June 2nd-4th *  July 12th-16th  July 19th-23rd  July 26th-30th

Campers will become paleontologists for the week as they uncover the truth about what dinosaurs were really like and what modern dinosaur relatives are still around today. During this week campers will learn what a paleontologist is, dig for fossils, and discover some lesser-known dinosaurs to expand their prehistoric knowledge!

Creative Creatures!  June 7th-11th  June 14th -18th  July 7th -9th*

Which animals are your favorite? Who has the coolest adaptations? Campers will learn about animals in the zoo through keeper chats, animal ambassadors, and hands-on adaptation activities. These observations and hands-on activities will build up to campers creating their own animals and animal stories!

Now You See Me, Now You Don’t!  June 21st -25th  June 28th - July 2nd  August 2nd-4th *

Ever wonder why animals come in so many different colors? Campers will discover the different types and uses of animal coloring and camouflage through hands-on activities and meeting animal ambassadors. After learning about the different types of camouflage animals use, campers will get the chance to blend in with their own environment in a huge game of camouflage!

8-10 Year Olds

Crazy Weird Science  June 2nd-4th *  June 7th-11th  July 26th-30th  August 2nd-4th *

Do you think the zoo is just about animals? In order to understand the world around us we also have to learn from other branches of science too! Just like how birds use air resistance to soar high in the sky we will use the principle of air resistance to create our own egg parachutes. Join us for a week of hands on scientific exploration as we dive into various branches of science such as chemistry, physics, and engineering. Roll up your sleeves as we get to work constructing our own egg drop apparatus, creating LED circuits, making explosive art, and much more! It is guaranteed to be an electrifying week!

Unconventional Art  June 28th- July 2nd  July 7th -9th*

Campers will learn the importance of conservation by creating art from recycled materials. We will construct a variety of projects each day such as magazine bead art, rock sculptures, and water bottle animals--all while learning about the importance of the four R’s! Along with daily art projects, at the end of the week our artists will work together to create a masterpiece that will be displayed here at Zoo Knoxville!

The Amazing Zoo Race  June 14th -18th  June 21st -25th  July 12th-16th  July 19th-23rd

Grab your passports and let’s take a trip around the world! Before setting out on our adventure, explorers will learn how to navigate the zoo using a compass and map. Campers will use their navigational skills to overcome challenges and race to the finish line. On their journey, explorers will encounter animals from all over the world and learn how these amazing animals navigate and survive in their own environments.
11-13 Year Olds

We Built a Zoo          June 7th-11th          June 21st-25th

Welcome to Zoo Knoxville! We’re hiring exhibit designers and think you’d be a great fit! We need your help with building a brand new zoo from the ground up. In order to learn all the nuts and bolts of what goes into this project, campers will meet with zoo staff and go behind the scenes to discuss what it takes to design, build, and run a zoo. Afterwards they will try their hand at designing their very own exhibit at our new zoo as they display their creations for all to see.

Masters of Flight and Engineering       June 14th-18th       June 28th- July 2nd

Fly like a falcon and build like a beaver! Join us as we explore the wonders of flight and engineering through a series of intellectual challenges. Campers will spend the week building contraptions to overcome the laws of physics as we create catapults, parachutes, bridges, and more. Our engineers will also get the opportunity to get up close and personal with some experts of flight here at the zoo as they meet with our animal ambassadors.