

## Planning Your Visit

Planning a trip to the Zoo is as easy as a walk in the park. Follow our step-by-step guide to book your reservation today.

### Rates & Guidelines

#### School Group Rate Admission:

- \$5 per student, minimum of 10 students
- Zoo membership cards may only be used if the parent accompanies their child on their trip.
- Additional parents and children will receive the \$5 rate at the front gate upon arrival
- One complimentary teacher admission will be provided for every ten (10) students. This applies to General Zoo Admission only, and does not include any seasonal exhibits or added attractions. **Teachers must have a sticker and cannot use ID badge for admittance.**
- **All teachers, students and paid chaperones must have a sticker for Zoo admission. Therefore, it is recommended that teachers utilize the complimentary stickers for themselves before allocating any to chaperones.**
- \$5 for each additional chaperone (minimum one adult chaperone per ten (10) students)
- School group rate valid Monday through Friday, August through May.
- Schools must be registered with their state's board of education to qualify.
- Reservations must be received two (2) weeks prior to your field trip date.
- Teachers, chaperones and students should be included in the reservation head count.
- Call our field trip hotline at (901) 333-6576.

#### Parking:

- \$5 per vehicle (carpooling strongly encouraged)
- Buses park free.
- All buses and cars will be parked at the Zoo.
- Zoo security will direct bus drivers to student drop-off and pick-up locations.

### Tips for a Memorable Field Trip

- April is a busy month for Zoo Classes.
- Thursdays and Fridays are generally our busiest days for field trips. Plan your trip for earlier in the week for the optimum Zoo experience.
- All Zoo classes and tours are by reservation only. Space is limited, so make your reservations as early as possible.
- If you have purchased a Zoo Class, please arrive at the Zoo at least 15 minutes early as traffic may be heavy. Please make plans to meet outside the classrooms (located on the east side of the Courtyard) at least five (5) minutes before your scheduled Zoo Class. You will be able to enter the classroom at your class's scheduled time.
- There are no areas designated or available for storage of lunches and coolers. Please leave these items in your vehicles or buses until needed.

- We encourage you to have cell phone numbers of all members of your party in case you get separated.

## **EdZOOcation: Zoo Classes**

Experience learning at the Memphis Zoo. Enrich your field trip with a fun and educational zoo class.

- Classes last 30- 60 minutes depending on grade and topic.
- Pricing starts at \$3 per student (in addition to \$5 gate admission).  
Dissection classes start at \$7.
- Classes are at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- A minimum of 15 paying attendees is required
- Zoo classes can be customized to fit your class needs, for an additional fee.
- No-shows or cancellations for most classes with less than 24 hours notice are subject to all class fees. Dissections require a two-week cancellation notice in order to avoid payment.

### **ZOO CLASSES 2016/2017**

Field trips are fun and educational when you add a Zoo Class. Zoo Classes are designed to provide students an up close look at wildlife and conservation while enriching core academic standards.

Offered August – June

Times available: 9:30 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 11:30 A.M., 1:00 P.M. \$3 per participant (in addition to gate admission of \$5 per student) Dissection classes \$7 per participant (in addition to gate admission of \$5 per student) 15 paid participant minimum

### **JK-K**

Meet an Animal

Catch a firsthand look at an amazing animal and learn what makes this animal so special.

GLE 0007.1.1, 0007.2.1, 0007.3.1, 0007.4.1, 0007.5.1

Kindergarten: K-LS1-1, K-ESS2-2, K-ESS3-1, K-ESS3-3

### **Grades 1st – 2nd**

Animals Have Class

Explore how scientists group animals and investigate how body coverings enable animals to survive in their habitats. GLE 0107.1.1, 0107.2.1, 0107.4.1, 0207.1.1, 0207.2.2, 0207.4.1, 0207.5.1

Eat or Be Eaten

Chow down with herbivores, carnivores and omnivores to uncover the links between animals in the intricate web of life. GLE 0107.3.1, 0107.10.1, 0207.2.2, 0207.2.3, 0207.3.1, 0207.7.3, 0207.10.1

### **Eco-Explorers: A River Journey - New Class!**

Every animal needs a safe home, especially if you live along the Zambezi River! Explore the different habitats African animals call home and find out how they survive in this majestic, and sometimes dangerous, ecosystem.

GLE 0107.5.1, 0207.5.1

### **Rainforest Roundup**

Travel through the layers of the rainforest using measurements and classifications to learn about the animals that live in such a unique and thriving environment.

GLE 0107.3.1, 0107.5.1, 0207.5.1, 0207.8.1

### **Grades 3rd – 5th**

#### **Going, Going, Gone!**

Investigate why some animals are endangered and how each of us can do our part to help. Saving our planet seems like a pretty tall order, but even small things make a big difference.

GLE 0307.2, 0307.5.2, 0407.2.1, 0407.4.1, 0407.5.2, 0507.2.3

#### **Wonderful World of Biomes**

The biomes of the world are as diverse as the flora and fauna found there. Race around the world and briefly explore the adaptations needed to survive Earth's varied environments.

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### **Let's Get Together: Wild Friends - New Class!**

Not all animals get by all alone. Discover which animals work together to form an animal "odd couple."

GLE 0307.5, 0407.2.1, 0407.5.1, 0407.5.2, 0507.2.1, 0507.2.2

#### **Owl pellet Dissection (\$7 per participant)**

Owls eat whoo? Students will take a closer look at owls and owl pellets as they discover "whoo" these amazing creatures hunt.

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### **Grades 6th – 8th**

#### **Frog or Fish Anatomy (\$7 per participant)**

Focus on amphibian organ systems within the abdominal and thoracic body cavities by participating in this dissection class.

GLE 0607.2.1, 0707.1.2, 0707.1.3, 0707.3.2, 0807.5.1, 0807.5.3

#### **Endangered Species**

Investigate why species become endangered and discover what scientists, zoos, and everyday people are doing to help conserve them.

GLE 0607.2.1, 0607.2.4, 0707.7.5, 0707.7.6, 0807.5.3, 0807.5.5

### Investigating Inheritance

Breakdown the basics of heredity and discover the importance of genetic diversity in the wild.

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### **Zambezi River Adventure – New Class!**

Grab your gear and join us as we journey down the Zambezi River. From its marshy source in Zambia to the delta in Mozambique, discover how wildlife interacts with the majestic, and often dangerous, river that is the Zambezi.

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### **Grades 9th – 12th**

Rat Anatomy (\$7 per participant)

Focus on mammalian organ systems within the abdominal and thoracic body cavities by participating in this dissection class.

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### Conservation in Action

Investigate why some animals are endangered and how each of us can do our part to help. Saving our planet seems like a pretty tall order, but even small things make a big difference.

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### **Genetic Diversity**

Explore the impact of genetics on animals—both captive and wild—and discover how genetics shape conservation efforts.

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### Wild Careers

Use hands-on demonstrations to explore some of the diverse opportunities working in the animal world can offer. From veterinarians to researchers, wildlife inspectors to educators, animal careers are as wild as this class.

## EdZOOcation: Zoo Snoozes

This is not your ordinary slumber party – it's a ZOO SNOOZE!

Discover nightlife at the Memphis Zoo. When the Zoo gates close at the end of the day, your adventure is just beginning. Your night of exploration begins at 7 p.m., and ends the next morning at 9 a.m.

Are you up for the experience? You and your group members get to:

- Meet animals up-close
- Go on a moonlight safari
- Participate in fun games and activities
- Enjoy the Zoo the next day after the program ends

All participants sleep in an indoor, climate-controlled area (unless otherwise noted) with restroom facilities, but no showers. A late-night snack and a light continental breakfast are served. Zoo Snooze bags are available for all paid participants. Call 901.333.6600 to register for Snoozes. (\$50.00 per participant)

### **Animal Adaptations Snooze**

An 'adaptation' is anything about a plant or an animal that helps it to survive in its environment. From a giraffe's long neck to a tortoise's shell, and from a rat's whiskers to a bird's beak, come and learn how animals stay alive in the wild.

### **Animals of the Bible Snooze**

Do you know the story of Noah's Ark? What about Jonah and the whale? Examine the wonder of God's creations as you explore animals as they are discussed in the Bible. Learn lessons from amazing animals and their adaptations.

### **Endangered Species Snooze**

Our Endangered Species Snooze focuses on more than just endangered animals. Your group will also learn about how these creatures become endangered, as well as things we all can do to help protect them.

### **Nocturnal Adventures Snooze**

At our most popular Snooze, your group will learn about nocturnal creatures, or those animals that wake up when the sun goes down. This Snooze also includes a special owl pellet dissection activity!

### **No Place Like Home Snooze**

A 'habitat' is more than just a place where animals live. It must contain proper food, water, shelter, and space for every creature that calls it home. Come and learn about different types of habitats found around the world.

## Make Lunch Plans

### Option 1 – Sacked Lunches

Order your lunches from the Zoo's very own Cat House Café.

*Small Kids Lunch:* For \$4.95 per student, each child will receive a healthy bag lunch that meets USDA School Lunch Requirements:

- A choice of turkey & cheese, ham & cheese, or peanut butter & jelly sandwich
- Baked Cheetos ®
- Carrot snacks
- 100% pure juice cup

*Big Kids Lunch:* For \$7.95 per student, each child will receive a healthy bag lunch that meets USDA School Lunch Requirements:

- A Hoagie Sandwich
- Lays Potato Chips
- Carrot snacks
- Bottled Water

Please call at least two weeks in advance to order your lunches from the Cat House Café. You'll need to provide your school's tax I.D. number to waive the sales tax on your order. Call the Cat House Café at (901) 333-6778.

### Option 2 – Picnic

If you prefer a catered picnic lunch in our Primate Pavilion, please contact events at (901) 333-6572. Minimum of 50 people for catered picnic lunch.

### Option 3 – Outside Picnic

Groups that bring their own lunches may use outdoor picnic areas only. The Zoo does not have facilities on grounds to store coolers.

## Order Zoo Packs from the Gift Shop

Your students will want to buy a souvenir from their trip to the Zoo. Zoo Gift Packs offer affordable selections from the Zoo's gift shop, prepackaged and ready for pickup at the end of your Zoo visit.

### Ordering Zoo Packs:

- On the next page, you'll find a student/parent order form. Please print and send it home with each of your students.
- Collect the parent/student order forms along with payment from each student.
- Fill out the teacher's master order form below. You may fax it to the Zoo at (901) 333-6504, or bring it with you on your field trip.
- **Submit payment to the Zoo's gift shop when you arrive.**
- Pick up your Zoo Packs just before you leave the Zoo.

## Teacher Master Order Form

<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>
Zoo Pack 1	\$6 x		\$
Zoo Pack 2	\$6 x		\$
Zoo Pack 3	\$12 x		\$

### Backpack & T-Shirt

<u>Size</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>
X-Small	\$14 x		\$
Small	\$14 x		\$
Medium	\$14 x		\$
Large	\$14 x		\$
X-Large	\$14 x		\$

**Zoo Pack TOTAL**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Information

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Field Trip Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MM/DD/YY

Order Pickup Time: \_\_\_\_\_

(pickup should be done just before departing Zoo)

# Student/Parent Zoo Pack Order Form

Your child will soon be visiting the Memphis Zoo! The Zoo's gift shops have a selection of exciting and educational items that enable your child to bring the Zoo experience home. The Zoo offers a selection of three school packs and a T-shirt in a nylon backpack. School packs range from \$6 to \$12 and the nylon backpack with a T-shirt is \$14.

To place an order, simply fill out this form prior to visiting and return it to your child's teacher. Please include the total due in cash or make your check payable to the Memphis Zoo.

## Zoo Pack 1 ~ \$6

- Animal Activity Book
- Colorful sea life pencil sharpener
- Memphis Zoo pencil

## Zoo Pack 2 ~ \$6

- Assorted Zoo animal stickers
- Memphis Zoo pencil
- Zoo wildlife animal playset

## Zoo Pack 3 ~ \$12

- Light up zoo squishy animal
- Memphis Zoo cup with straw
- Bean bag plush animal

## T-shirts ~ \$14

- Memphis Zoo youth T-shirts with a dinosaur design and placed in a nylon Memphis Zoo backpack
- Available in:  
XS (2-4)                      LRG (14-16)  
SM (6-8)                      XLRG (16-18)  
MED (10-12)

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
Trip Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Pack Number \_\_\_\_\_ Quantity \_\_\_\_\_  
T-shirt      Yes \_\_\_\_\_      No \_\_\_\_\_  
T-shirt size (listed above) \_\_\_\_\_  
AMOUNT DUE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Prices effective until December 31, 2016  
Items may be substituted during the school year.

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## Tips for Parents

- Parents and additional children attending the field trip will receive the \$5 rate at the front gate upon arrival.
- Zoo membership cards may only be used if you accompany your child on the trip. Please enter through the members' gate.
- Zoo parking is limited. It is strongly encouraged that parents and chaperones carpool if possible. Each vehicle will be charged \$5 for Zoo parking. Zoo members park free.
- We encourage you to have cell phone numbers of all members in your party in case you get separated