

Lake Superior Zoological Society's Educational Programs

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OUTREACH Programs:

Zoomobile – Group Programs:

For: Nursing Homes, Day Care Centers, Libraries, etc.

Cost: \$50 for the first animal program; \$25 for each additional program on the same day, plus mileage

Length: About 45 minutes to 1 hour

Program: Meet some of our outreach animals: from chinchillas and hedgehogs, to desert tortoises and snakes, to bugs and birds. Learn about the visiting animal(s), how the zoo cares for the animal(s), enjoy a hands-on opportunity and a conservation message.

Zoomobile – Classroom Programs:

For: Individual classrooms of various grade levels

Cost: \$50 for the first animal program; \$25 for each additional program on the same day, plus mileage

Length: About 45 minutes to 1 hour

Program: Meet some of our outreach animals: from chinchillas and hedgehogs, to desert tortoises and snakes, to bugs and birds. Learn about the visiting animal(s) and how the zoo cares for the animal(s). Additional topics can be presented including: Creature Categories; Reptiles; Birds; Mammals; Zoo Careers. We can prepare a presentation to meet your needs and enhance what you are studying in class.



INREACH Programs:

Zoo Tour

For: Groups – up to 30 people

Cost: \$30 per group (Does not include admission)

Length: About 1.5 hours

Tour: An experienced guide can tour your group around the zoo. Groups will enjoy learning stories and 'behind the scene' information about our animals. See artifacts from our tour bag, hear facts and trivia about our different animals and meet some of our outreach animals.

Animal Encounter

For: Groups visiting the zoo

Cost: \$20 (Does not include admission)

Length: About 30 minutes

Program: If you want a quick introduction to the zoo, this is for you! We can design something to match your needs. Meet some of our outreach animals and enjoy a hands-on experience.

Animal Encounter

For: Groups that rent the pavilion

Cost: \$20 (Does not include admission)

Length: About 30 minutes

Program: Meet some of our outreach animals. Learn about a variety of animals from chinchillas and hedgehogs, to desert tortoises and snakes, to bugs and birds.

Program includes facts about each animal, how the zoo cares for each animal, hands-on opportunity and a conservation message.

Zookeeper for a Day

For: Groups of 6 – 12 people, age 12 and older who are interested in a zoo career

Cost: \$12 per person (Includes admission)

Length: About 2 hours

Program: Learn and do everything a zookeeper would do. Work with the barn animals, make diets, tour behind the scenes, learn how to look at x-rays and more!

Scout Programs

For: Boy/Girl Scout Groups

Cost: \$20/troop, (Does not include admission)

Length: 1 ½ hours

Program: Earn your badge through a guided, fun-filled adventure at the zoo.

Programs have been specialized for badge requirements for the following badges:

Brownies -Try It! Animals; Juniors-Wildlife. Keep your eyes open for developing Cub Scout programs.



OTHER OPPORTUNITIES:

Zoo Snooze

For: Groups that want to spend the night at the zoo (Boy/Girl Scouts, 4-H, and church groups). Minimum of 15 participants (required ratio - 1 adult chaperone for 8 children).

Cost: \$30 per participant (includes admission). No charge for required chaperones.

Additional adults are \$15 per person. Participant fee includes a "Zoo Snooze" T-shirt, pizza party, snacks and a continental breakfast.

Length: Beginning Time - 7:30 p.m. Ending Time - 8:00 a.m.

Program: Spend the night at the zoo! Groups choose a favorite theme for the night: Big Cats, Arctic Animals, Bears or Nocturnal Animals. Participants will enjoy games, activities, live animal encounters, a night hike, a pizza party and will decorate their own "Zoo Snooze" T-shirt!

Internship:

For: College students interested in pursuing an animal career

Cost: N/A

Length: One semester (spring/summer or fall/winter)

Experience: Students gain necessary experience working with animals and experiencing an in-depth enrichment and observation project. Intern positions are unpaid. To apply, send a cover letter and resume to the Lake Superior Zoological Society's Education Department, 7210 Fremont Street, Duluth, MN 55807.

Job Shadow:

For: High school students at least 13 years old or older.

Cost: N/A

Length: 2 hours

Experience: Designed for serious students who are interested in exploring an animal related career. Students will assist the keeper in daily responsibilities. This is a one-time opportunity.

Summer Camps (see website or newsletter for current programs):

For: Children ages of 3 and up.

Cost: varies

Length: varies

Program: Children will explore the wide world of animals from tropical frogs in the rain forest to polar bears in the arctic. All classes include hands-on activities, a craft, games and more. Pre-registration is required.

Quarterly Classes (see website or newsletter for current programs):

For: Children ages 3 and up

Cost: \$8 for members and \$11 for non-members

Length: 2 hours

Program: Children will explore a variety of different animal topics and participate in hands-on activities, crafts and animal encounters. Pre-registration is required. Students should dress for the weather.

Homeschool Classes (see website or newsletter for the most up to date class list):

For: The program targets two age groups: ages 7 – 9 and ages 10 and up

Cost: \$8 for members and \$11 for non-members

Length: 2 hours

Program: These classes offer instruction on a variety of environmental and animal related topics. Classes are structured to sharpen observation skills and provide opportunities for hands-on learning. No parents or sibling are allowed in class unless they are registered as a participant. Pre-registration required. Students should dress for the weather.

Animal Kits

For: For individual classrooms and various grade levels.

Cost: Rent a complete teaching kit for \$10/week with a \$50 deposit which is refundable.

Kit: Kit includes lesson plans, activities, supplies, artifacts, videos and more.