



## EDUCATIONAL/YOUTH GROUP FIELD TRIP

### How to Make Your Reservation

Thank you for your interest in visiting the Phoenix Zoo with your group!

We offer an educational rate for all youth-oriented groups of \$4.00 per person (including both children and adults) for admission to the Zoo for a minimum of 15 people. In order to qualify for these rates, all students must be accompanied by at least one adult per 10 children. If you qualify as a ZooReach\*\* school you are eligible for the \$3.00 rate per person.

On the next page is the Educational/Youth Group Field Trip Reservation Form. Complete the form and fax it into our office at 602.914.4328, or mail to the address at the bottom of this page. You are welcome to visit on any day of the year (with the one exception of December 25<sup>th</sup> when the Zoo is closed).

**Seasonal Warning:** Thursdays and Fridays in February, March and April are the busiest times of the year for field trips. If you are planning a trip during this time, please call our Reservations office at 602-914-4333 for availability. **We limit school reservations to 1800 youth per day** to maximize your field trip experience. Some dates may be full. We recommend visiting earlier in the week or during other months throughout the year when it is less crowded.

If you are interested in any of the additional programs, such as Guided Tours, Wild Workshops, Animal Discoveries, Puppet Shows, or Special Needs Programs, other arrangements are required. Please call us at 602.914.4333 for more information, or complete the bottom portion of the form to reserve a program. Note their availability as listed on the Reservation Form. If the date or time you have chosen is not available, we will call you with other options.

Once your reservation has been entered into our systems, we will fax you back a confirmation letter along with an Admission Check List and other details. The confirmation letter and Admission Check List are your "tickets" into the Zoo at your special rate and must be presented at the admission area the day of your visit. If you do not receive this form within 48 hours of your fax, please call us at 602.914.4333. Please allow 10 days for mailed forms.

On the day of your visit, please have **one** representative from your school present the Admission Check List with exact attendance numbers and payment at the admission gate. Name tags with the child's name and the name of the school/organization are recommended. **Cell phones**, when available, are important communication tools and can assist Zoo staff in prompt resolution of most situations.

Again, thank you for your interest in the Phoenix Zoo and enjoy your visit!

#### Reservations Contact:

Phone: **602.914.4333**  
Fax: **602.914.4328**  
Address: **Phoenix Zoo Reservations**  
**455 N. Galvin Pkwy**  
**Phoenix, AZ 85008**

\*\* ZooReach schools are Title One Schools grades K-12 that have at least 50% of their entire enrollment in a free or reduced lunch program as listed by the Arizona Department of Education Health and Nutrition Services.





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FIELD TRIP RESERVATION FORM

Please complete all information and return via fax at 602.914.4328.

\*\*\*A CONFIRMATION WILL BE SENT TO YOU FOLLOWING THIS SUBMISSION\*\*\*

The Zoo limits school reservations to 1800 youth per day. List alternate date. Date: Alt. Date. Please initial here as an agreement that students will be supervised at all times while on Zoo grounds.

Full name of school or organization:

Mailing address:

City: State: Zip code:

Main phone number: Fax number:

Teacher/Contact name: Title:

Teacher/Contact email address:

Teacher/Contact phone number: Ext.:

Emergency cell phone number (if avail.):

Grade level of group (please circle all that apply)

Pre-K K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Other (please explain):

Number of students:

Number of adults:

I am interested in:

Puppet Shows (subject to availability October-April, Thur or Fri) (2 weeks notice needed) Cost: FREE w/admission (max of 60 students)

Theme: Barnyard Bash (PreK) Parade of Desert Animals (K- 2) Endangered Species (2-3) Preferred Time(s): 10:00a 10:30a 11:00a

Special Needs Program (subject to availability October-April, 9:45a & 10:45a Monday only) Please call 602.914.4333 for special booking form. (2 weeks notice needed) Cost: FREE w/admission (max of 15 students per class)

Safari Train Tours (Available on a first come, first served basis.) Cost: \$1.50/person (groups of 15 or more)

Carousel Ride (Available on a first come, first served basis.) Cost: \$1.50/person (groups of 15 or more)

Stingray Bay (Available Fall 2008-Spring 2009 on a first come, first served basis.) Cost: \$1.00/person (groups of 15 or more)

Zoo Admissions fees, Safari Train Tours, Carousel Rides and Stingray Bay can be paid for on the day of your visit by check, credit card, cash or purchase order.

I would like to reserve the following special programs (please see next page for details):

Guided Tour 9:30a 10:30a 11:30a (One tour per time Sat-Tues. Two tours per time Wed-Fri.) Cost: \$25.00

Requested Tour (Two weeks notice required.) (for up to 35 people)

Wild Workshop 9:30a 10:30a 11:30a (One workshop per time. Available daily.) Cost: \$100.00

Requested Workshop: (Three weeks notice required.) (for up to 35 people)

Animal Discovery 9:30a 10:30a 11:30a (One Animal Discovery per time. Available daily.) Cost: \$75.00

Requested Program: (Three weeks notice needed for this program.) (for up to 75 people)

Guided Tours, Wild Workshops, and Animal Discoveries require advance payment.

Please complete the following if you have chosen one of these programs.

Payment Options:

- Purchase Order #
Check (please mail to the address below, attn: Reservations)
Credit Card (please call 602.914.4333)



## Educational/Youth Group Field Trip Programs

*Want to make your group visit even more memorable? Try one of our special programs!*

### *New* - **GUIDED TOURS – See the Zoo with new eyes!**



Zoo Staff will take your students on a 45-minute interactive hike through part of the park. Through quick games, stories, and questioning, your students will not only be introduced to standards concepts but they will gain an understanding of how to observe and appreciate the animals at the Zoo. Descriptions for available themes are listed below. Price is \$25 in addition to admission, for up to 35 people (children and adults). Schedule more than one tour for larger groups. Please make your reservation at least two weeks prior to your visitation date as space is limited.

#### **Animal Classification (recommended for grades K-2)**

During this guided tour, Zoo Staff will guide your students through a section of our Arizona Trail where they will explore the characteristics that are used to divide animals into categories. In addition to the exhibit animals, docents will also use hands-on props. This tour also helps students learn to explore their surroundings with multiple senses and guides the students to actively view the animals on exhibit.

#### **Exploring Arizona (recommended for grades 1 – 7)**

Students will explore several Arizona habitats on the Zoo's Arizona Trail by comparing and contrasting the habitats and the animals that live in them. Zoo Staff will guide discussions covering how various Arizona animals have adapted to their specialized desert habitats and the role that each animal play in its environment. Along the way, students will discover and investigate signs left behind by the wildlife of Arizona.

#### **Exploring the Rainforest 1 (recommended for grades K-4)**

Learning the layers of a rainforest and the types of animals that live in each is the focus of this tour. Zoo Staff will use interactive activities to teach students about the different layers in rainforests and which animals may live in each as well as interpreting exhibit animals and sharing stories about them. This tour also helps students learn observations skills, to explore their surroundings with multiple senses and guides the students to actively view the animal on exhibit.

#### **Exploring the Rainforest 2 (recommended for grades 5-12)**

Seeing the rainforest from multiple perspectives is the focus of this tour. Students will take on the role of an animal or person as they are guided through part of our Tropics Trail and the Forest of Uco. Zoo Staff will guide discussion covering how various Rainforest animals have adapted to their habitats and the role that each plays in its environment. Along the way students will collect information to determine how the rainforest is important to various stakeholders and investigate several scientific tools used to study the rainforest.

#### **Conservation Programs of the Phoenix Zoo (recommended for grades 8-12 and adults)**

The Phoenix Zoo is very focused on keeping native species living in wild habitats in the Southwest and works actively with AZ Game and Fish, US Fish and Wildlife and other non-government organizations to help in conserving local species. Zoo Staff will lead your group through the Arizona Trail providing updates on what projects we're currently working on, the progress that is being made and the methods and technologies being developed to help species in peril.

### *New* - **WILD WORKSHOPS – Experience the natural world, in-depth!**



If you're looking for a more in-depth experience, then Wild Workshops are the way to go. During these 60 minute programs, Zoo Staff will use hands-on activities, inquiry, and live animal interactions to help your students explore a topic in depth. Available themes are listed below. Price is \$100 in addition to admission, for up to 35 people (children and adults). Schedule more than one workshop for larger groups. Please make your reservation at least *three* weeks prior to your visitation date as space is limited.

#### **Exploring Deserts (Recommended for grades 1 – 8)**

In this workshop students will use activities and discussion to investigate how animals have adapted to survive in the harsh environment of the desert. They will also explore how a desert compares to other habitats and the important roles each animal plays in its desert environment. Students will also have the opportunity to see some desert animals up-close in the classroom.

#### **All About Adaptations (Recommended for grades 1-8)**

This workshop helps students explore the reasons that adaptations are so important for animal survival. Older students will explore such concepts as competition, limited resources and ecological niches. Students will also have the opportunity to see some animals up-close in the classroom.

#### **Introduction to Endangered Species (Recommended for grades 3-8)**

This workshop serves to introduce students to the complications species face (human and natural) and how those factors affect their ability to survive. Students will also explore why species are important to the survival of their ecosystems. The workshop finishes with a discussion of simple solutions to empower the students. Students will also have the opportunity to see animals up-close in the classroom.

#### **Exploring Zoo Careers (Recommended for grades 7-12)**

This workshop introduces students to the variety of career available at a Zoo institution. Students will have an opportunity to tour one of our Behind the Scenes facilities (ACC or Species Conservation Center) and participate in activities outlining some of the challenges in meeting the daily care required by exotic animals. Staff will also address up and coming careers in Conservation Science and opportunities in working with animals with other institutions.

### *New* - **STINGRAY BAY – A unique opportunity!**



Don't miss this touching experience! Students will be excited to touch live Cownose rays and Southern stingrays in addition to bamboo and nurse sharks in the only exhibit of its kind in Arizona. This seasonal experience is located near the main entrance to the Zoo from Fall 2008-Spring 2009. No reservations required. Visit on a first come, first served basis. \$1.00 per person for school groups of 15 or more.

### **ANIMAL DISCOVERIES - Excite and educate your group with some of our favorite animals!**



A 30-minute presentation designed to make a school's field trip more valuable. One of the Zoo's Program Specialists will present animals and be available for a question and answer session. Program themes include: Animal Kingdom, Creepy Crawlies, Desert Connections, Predator Prey and Endangered Species. Price is \$75 in addition to admission to the Zoo. Please limit size of group to no more than 75 people per half hour. Schedule more than one presentation for a larger group. Please make your reservation at least *three weeks* prior to your visitation date as space is limited.

### **PUPPET SHOWS – Introduce young children to animals!**



Puppet shows are offered **Thursdays and Fridays, October through April** in the Auditorium. All shows last approximately 20 minutes and can seat up to 60 participants. Available programs are: **Barnyard Buddies** (for Preschoolers), **Parade of the Desert Animals** (for Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grades), and **Endangered Species** (for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades). Puppet Shows are presented by our volunteers and are **FREE** with paid admission to the Zoo. (**2 weeks notice needed**)

### **SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS – A “touching” experience!**



Special Needs Programs are offered for children who are mentally, emotionally, or physically challenged, or have a learning or speech disability. The presentations are hosted by Zoo volunteers trained to teach students with a sensory-motor approach. Programs last about 40 minutes and are presented to a minimum of 5 students and a maximum of 15 students at a time. Choose from **Animal Families** for the lower functioning or younger children and **Desert Animals** for the older and higher functioning children. **Available Mondays only by reservation, Oct. through April.** **FREE** with paid admission to the Zoo. (**2 weeks notice needed**)

### **CAROUSEL RIDE – Come take a spin on one of our new attraction!**



On the Endangered Species Carousel you will find a fun array of 33 hand-carved animals representing rare and endangered species from around the world. These magical, playful animals are sure to bring out the inner child in everyone. ADA sea shell seating available. Each ride lasts about 5 minutes with 10 minutes for loading and unloading. Rides on a first come, first served basis. \$1.50 per person for groups of 15 or more. Children age 2 and under must be accompanied by a standing adult at no additional charge.

### **SAFARI TRAIN – Ride your way around the Zoo!**



Hop aboard the Safari Train for a fun, narrated tour meandering past most of our major attractions. Tours depart every 20-30 minutes from the Safari Train Station between the Giraffe and Zebra exhibits. A maximum of 45 passengers may ride each tour. Several trains are wheelchair accessible. The fare is \$1.50 per passenger for groups of 15 or more. Tickets can be purchased at the main train station. Train rides are available on a first come, first served basis.

Please call Reservations with questions or to book a program at 602.914.4333.