Q: Does my child’s age have to fall within the listed age bracket to enroll for a particular camp?

A: Yes. We design the camps with particular ages in mind, so it is important to be mindful of the age limitations.

Q: What’s a typical day like for the campers?

A: On any given day, campers will tour the Zoo, make crafts, read stories, attend onsite interpretation talks, play games, and meet program animals - all relating to their camp topic.

Q: What animal experiences are they going to have?

A: Campers attend onsite interpretation talks about various Zoo animals and watch animals receive enrichment. Campers also meet program animals relating to their theme of the day.

Q: What is the cost?

A: Each cost listed is for one week of ZooCamp. For members: $145 for half-day; $230 for full day For non-members: $165 for half day; $250 for full day

Q: Why is the half-day option missing?

A: There are only 5 half-day slots available for each school-age camp. If the option is missing from the website, those slots have already been filled. If you would like to be added to the wait list, please call 585.336.7213.

Q: Is food provided?

A: We provide snacks in the morning and afternoon, but campers must bring their own lunch and water bottle. ZooCamp is peanut-free due to allergy concerns. Please refrain from packing anything for your camper with peanuts or peanut butter.

Q: What do campers do during lunch?

A: Campers will have an hour to relax, eat, and have fun from 12 pm to 1 pm. During this time, they have the option of watching a movie, drawing, or quiet free-play. Crafts, playground time, or other activities may also be available during lunch depending on the day.
Q: Will the counselors for the special needs camp be certified in special education?

A: No, our counselors are not certified or extensively trained in special education; however, our camp counselors do receive pre-camp training that includes basic skills for working with children who have special needs. Our instructors possess respect and understanding for children and a deep passion for the natural world. They are well trained in interpretive techniques, group management, and activity facilitation.