

# SENECA PARK ZOO ZooCamp





# 3-4

## YEARS OLD

Register at [senecaparkzoo.org/summercamp](https://senecaparkzoo.org/summercamp)

### JUNE

June 3-7	Animal Homes
June 10-14	Animal Movements
June 17-21	Animal Coverings
June 24-28	Animal Sounds





# 5-6 YEARS OLD

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## JULY

July 1-5	Paws & Claws (no camp on July 4th)
July 8-12	Storybook Adventure
July 8-12	Hop, Slither, Stomp - <i>Special Needs Camp</i>
July 15-19	Crazy Camouflage
July 22-26	Musical by Nature - <b>New!</b>
July 22-26	Play Like an Animal

## AUGUST

July 29-Aug 2	Love the Bugs
Aug 5-9	Musical by Nature - <b>New!</b>
Aug 5-9	Splish, Splash
Aug 12-16	Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
Aug 19-23	Critters & Crafts



# 7-9 YEARS OLD

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## JULY

July 1-5	Web of Life (no camp on July 4th)
July 8-12	Animal Olympics
July 15-19	Over & Under
July 15-19	Slime Time
July 22-26	Perfect Predators - <b>New!</b>

## AUGUST

July 29-Aug 2	Perfect Predators - <b>New!</b>
July 29-Aug 2	Slime Time
Aug 5-9	Wonders of Water
Aug 12-16	Mystery Creatures
Aug 12-16	Animal Olympics - <i>Special Needs Camp</i>
Aug 19-23	Most Extreme Animals





# 10-12

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### JULY

July 1-5	Digging into Paleontology (no camp on July 4th)
July 8-12	Animals in Art
July 15-19	Science Gone Wild
July 22-26	Animal Behavior in Action

### AUGUST

July 29-Aug 2	Identification Exploration
Aug 5-9	Habitat Design
Aug 12-16	ZooTeens in Training





# CAMP THEME DESCRIPTIONS

## 3 & 4 Years Old

### Animal Coverings

Some animals have fur, others have feathers. Come explore the many different coverings animals can have and learn why they are so important!

### Animal Homes

Animals find shelter in various ways, from camouflage to building their own dens. Come to camp and discover the many different types of homes animals can have!

### Animal Movements

Have you ever wanted to hop like a toad or slither like a snake? Then this is the camp for you! Join us as we explore the many ways animals can move.

### Animal Sounds

Can you sound like a lion? How about a frog? Animals can make some cool noises. Join us at camp, and we'll learn all about how animals communicate!

## 5 & 6 Years Old

### Crazy Camouflage

Animals have the craziest ways of hiding in plain sight. See if you can spot them in this camp about the many different ways animals can camouflage with their surroundings!

### Critters & Crafts

Calling all creative campers! In this camp, we will explore our artistic side with arts and crafts of all kinds. Join us as we get inspired using animals as our opportunity for some crafty fun!

### Hop, Slither, Stomp

Jump, climb, slither, and hop to camp! We are moving like the animals this week and learning how animals use their movements to survive in the wild. Meet animals that move in cool ways and practice moving like the animals.

*\*NOTE: This camp is tailored specifically for children with special needs that would benefit from additional support. Three counselors support a maximum of 14 children. If your child is able to participate in camp but requires individual assistance with communication, behavior support, or ADLs, please contact us about arranging to have your own aide attend with your child, so they may have the most inclusive experience possible.*

### Love the Bugs

In this camp, we will discover the things that make bugs so cool! If you don't love bugs yet, you will!

### Musical by Nature – **New!**

Music is all around us! Explore how animals make musical sounds while we craft our own instruments inspired by nature!

### Paws & Claws

Animal feet can be very unique, so join the investigation into paws, hooves, and other feet on your favorite animals!

### Play Like an Animal

Do you play like an animal? Let's explore the different ways animals play as we act like them! Along the way, we'll discover why animals play the way they do and see some animals who love to play!

# CAMP THEME DESCRIPTIONS

## **Reduce, Reuse, Recycle**

Learn to go green in this fun camp about how we can help animals from our own homes. Play games and make crafts as we explore the 3 R's!

## **Splish, Splash**

Water is all around us! Campers will meet and learn about animals who thrive in ponds, rivers, marshes, lakes, and oceans, or dry environments. Join us as we discover how animals use this important resource.

## **Storybook Adventure**

Animal stories are our favorite at the Zoo! Come learn about fables and other animal stories from around the world as well as the animals that inspired them in this fun camp

## **7-9 Years Old**

### **Animal Olympics**

Meet some animal athletes and learn how their bodies help them to move in incredible ways. Leap, run, and fly to the Animal Olympic games!

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### **Most Extreme Animals**

Some animals are extreme eaters, some are extreme athletes, and all are extremely cool. This week we will learn about animals with some really extreme adaptations!

### **Mystery Creatures**

Mysteries abound in this camp! Each day will feature a new mystery animal (or two) for campers to determine through clues about their habitats and adaptations.

### **Over & Under**

Some animals live under the ground, some live in the air! Come join us as we investigate the many places animals live from underground to up in the trees!

### **Perfect Predators - New!**

Would you make a good predator? Predators have to hunt for their food, and they have a lot of cool adaptations that help them succeed. Come to the Zoo and we'll learn about some of the best predators around!

### **Slime Time**

Slippery, slimy, ooey, and gooey - what animals come to mind? We'll take a look at worms, snakes, frogs, and bugs and discover if they're truly slimy or not.

### **Web of Life**

All animals are connected by the web of life. Learn about producers, consumers, and apex predators in this camp about what animals like to eat!

### **Wonders of Water**

Most of the planet is covered in water, and all living things depend on it. Investigate animals that live in or near water and others that survive with very little water. Campers will test water quality, experiment with the properties of water, and of course discover how animals use water!

# CAMP THEME DESCRIPTIONS

## 10-12 Years Old

### Animal Behavior in Action

Many animals at the Zoo are trained to participate in their own health care. Learn about how those animals are trained and what we can learn from watching animal behavior. You may even get to train your fellow campers!

### Animals in Art

Animals are used in art around the world. In this camp, we will use them as inspiration for our own art projects!

### Digging into Paleontology

Paleontologists can learn so much from fossils! Learn what bones can teach us about prehistoric and modern-day animals.

### Habitat Design

There are lots of new habitats being planned at the Zoo. Discover how our animal habitats are designed and model one of your own!

### Identification Exploration

Animals and plants all have something that makes them super unique! In this camp, we'll explore different ways to identify them based on their awesome differences and see how some are similar as well. From sounds to tracks to leaves, there is something for everyone!

### Science Gone Wild

Science takes a wild turn at the Zoo! Discover how we learn about animals through all varieties of science from biology to physics.

### ZooTeens in Training

So, you want to be a ZooTeen? Learn the roles of a ZooTeen and help educate the public on the animals at the Zoo!





## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Registrations are based on the age of the child as of June 1.

Campers will have a more positive experience if they are prepared to spend a part of each day outside and should dress accordingly. Snacks are provided, but please bring a water bottle.

Preschool camps for ages 3 and 4 are held weekly in June and run from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. with pick up before lunch. Campers will have a more positive experience if they are already comfortable in group settings without their parent, and they must be bathroom trained. Two counselors support a maximum of 14 children. Half-day fees apply. Before or After Care options are not available.

School-age camps for ages 5 to 12 begin the first week of July and end the week of August 19. Full day is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with Before Care drop off at 8 a.m. and After Care pickup at 5 p.m. Campers bring their own peanut-free lunch. Two counselors support a maximum of 20 children.

Special needs camp for ages 5 and 6 is held the week of July 8 and for ages 7 to 9 is held the week of August 12. Three counselors support a maximum of 14 children. This camp is tailored specifically for children with special needs that benefit from additional support. If your child is able to participate in camp but requires individual assistance with communication, behavior support, or ADLs, please contact us about arranging to have your own aide attend with your child, so they may have the most inclusive experience possible.

Half-day option is available for campers ages 5 to 9. Half-day is 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. with pick up before lunch.

Each child receives a Camp T-shirt.

### **Fees for one week:**

**Full day: \$270 for Zoo members, \$295 for non-members**

**Half day: \$160 for Zoo members and \$180 for non-members**

**Before Care or After Care for school age campers: \$25/week**

### **Registration:**

**Register at [senecaparkzoo.org/summercamp](https://senecaparkzoo.org/summercamp).**

**Questions? Call 585.336.7213.**

*Payment in full is due with registration. Payments are non-refundable. Please read and complete medical and registration information provided online in full. A pick-up authorization form will be sent with your confirmation and needs to be completed prior to the first day of camp.*

*Financial Assistance: We offer need based Zoo Camp Scholarships to families that qualify. Download the form from our website. Email all appropriate documents to [education@senecazoo.org](mailto:education@senecazoo.org)*