

Zoo Education Broadens the Realization of Animals

Z.E.E.B.R.A.

Fall 2009

Class themes for Zoo Tots, Preschool and Kindergarten/
First Grade programs:

- **SEPTEMBER – Animal ABCs:** Our class time together will focus on some of our animals here at the zoo. We will learn about a different animal each week and learn our Animal ABCs!
- **OCTOBER – Nocturnal Animals:** Who sleeps during the day? Many animals spend the night searching for food. Nighttime can be a very busy time for animals. We'll spend a little of our "daytime" learning about the animals of the night.
- **NOVEMBER – Thankful for our Friends:** This is the time of year to think of what we are most thankful for in our lives. We will talk about what one kind word or gesture can mean to a person or animal. We'll make "thank you" gifts for our friends and family (human and animal) that make our lives special.
- **DECEMBER – Gifts from Nature:** Join our class as we create winter time nature crafts. Get ready to make some original and fun gifts for yourself, your family and your friends. We'll even create some special enrichment items for the zoo animals. Let's celebrate winter together!

ZOO TOTS

Age: Children 2 and 3 years of age with an adult.

Session fees for Tuesday and Friday three-week sessions:

FOZ members – \$18 Non-members – \$24

Session fees for Monday and Saturday one-day sessions:

FOZ members – \$6 Non-members – \$8



SEPTEMBER

Three-week sessions

Session 301	Tuesday Sept. 8, 15 & 22	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 302	Friday Sept. 11, 18 & 25	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Mondays and Saturdays – one-day sessions

Session 303	Saturday September 12	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 304	Monday September 14	Dixie Sleight 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 305	Saturday September 19	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 306	Monday September 28	Dixie Sleight 9:30-10:30 a.m.

OCTOBER

Three-week sessions

Session 307	Friday October 2, 9 & 16	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 308	Tuesday October 6, 13 & 20	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Mondays and Saturdays – one-day sessions

Session 309	Saturday October 3	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 310	Saturday October 10	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 311	Monday October 12	Dixie Sleight 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 312	Monday October 26	Dixie Sleight 9:30-10:30 a.m.

NOVEMBER

Three-week sessions

Session 313	Tuesday November 3, 10 & 17	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 314	Friday November 6, 13 & 20	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Mondays and Saturdays – one-day sessions

Session 315	Saturday November 7	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 316	Monday November 9	Dixie Sleight 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 317	Saturday November 14	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 318	Monday November 23	Dixie Sleight 9:30-10:30 a.m.

DECEMBER

Three-week sessions

Session 319	Tuesday December 1, 8 & 15	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 320	Friday December 4, 11 & 18	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Mondays and Saturdays – one-day sessions

Session 321	Saturday December 5	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 322	Saturday December 12	Teresa Drummond 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 323	Monday December 14	Dixie Sleight 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Session 324	Monday December 21	Dixie Sleight 9:30-10:30 a.m.

PRESCHOOL

Age: Children 4-6 years of age (child-only classes; parents do not stay with children)

Teacher: Teresa Drummond

Please refer to the descriptions above for each month's topic

Session fees for Friday three-week sessions:

FOZ members – \$24 Non-members – \$30

Session fees for Monday and Saturday one-day sessions:

FOZ members – \$8 Non-members – \$10

Fridays – three-week sessions

Session 330	Sept. 11, 18 & 25	1-3 p.m.
Session 331	Oct. 2, 9 & 16	1-3 p.m.
Session 332	Nov. 6, 13 & 20	1-3 p.m.
Session 333	Dec. 4, 11 & 18	1-3 p.m.

Saturday – one-day sessions

Session 334	September 12	1-3 p.m.
Session 335	September 26	9:30-11:30 p.m.
Session 336	October 3	1-3 p.m.
Session 337	October 17	9:30-11:30 a.m.
Session 338	November 7	1-3 p.m.
Session 339	November 21	9:30-11:30 a.m.
Session 340	December 5	1-3 p.m.
Session 341	December 19	9:30-11:30 a.m.

PRESCHOOL Wednesdays!

Age: Children 4-6 years of age (child-only classes; parents do not stay with children)

Teacher: Pam Herd

Session fee for three-week sessions:

FOZ members – \$24 Non-members – \$30

Incredible Invertebrates

Session 342 September 2, 9 & 23 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Learn more about incredible invertebrates and how they help us. Each week we will focus on a different invertebrate: Bee a Missouri Pollinator, Spinning Spiders and Monarch Mania. Come and search for each of these at the zoo!

Wild Wacky Wednesdays

Session 343 October 7, 14 & 21 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Wild and wacky animals will visit our class each day. Let's find other wild and wacky animals that live in the zoo. Birds, mammals and reptiles will be included during October.

Reading is ZOO-rific

Session 344 November 4, 11 & 18 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Books will literally come ALIVE when the animals featured in the book are present while they are read. What a wonderful way to encourage the love of reading and enjoy a good book!

Merry Chris-MOOSE

Session fee for one-day session:

FOZ members – \$8 Non-members – \$10

Session 345 December 9 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Session 346 December 16 9:30-11:30 a.m.

We will be learning about all types of antlers. Each child will make tree decorations to hang outside to feed the wildlife during the winter months.



KINDERGARTEN & FIRST GRADE

Age: Children currently enrolled in Kindergarten or 1st grade

Teacher: Teresa Drummond

Please refer to the descriptions above for each month's topic

Fee per session:

FOZ members – \$8 Non-members – \$10

Saturday – one-day sessions

Session 350	September 19	1-3 p.m.
Session 351	September 26	1-3 p.m.
Session 352	October 10	1-3 p.m.
Session 353	October 17	1-3 p.m.
Session 354	November 14	1-3 p.m.
Session 355	November 21	1-3 p.m.
Session 356	December 12	1-3 p.m.
Session 357	December 19	1-3 p.m.

ZOO EXPLORERS 2ND & 3RD GRADES

Age: Children enrolled in 2nd or 3rd grade

Teacher: Dani Ives

Each month we will explore something new: a new area of the zoo, visit with a zookeeper, learn about a new animal. Our staff will look for "what's happening" at the zoo to share with our class. So, come ready to learn, explore, make friends and have fun!

Sunday – one-day sessions

Fee per session:

FOZ members – \$8	Non-members – \$10
Session 360	October 11 2-4 p.m.
Session 361	November 15 2-4 p.m.
Session 362	December 13 2-4 p.m.



4TH-6TH GRADES



Age: Children enrolled in 4th, 5th and 6th grades

Teacher: Dani Ives

Jane Goodall founded Roots & Shoots in 1991 as a service organization promoting goodwill toward the environment, animals and the human community. Each meeting will involve a stand-alone activity and discussion.

Our chapter works within the zoo on projects like building a butterfly garden, making animal enrichment and picking up trash. We'll also learn about ways we can help animals and the environment at home. Together, we can make a difference, so come ready to work and have a good time.

Monthly dues: \$5

Session 370	Sunday, October 18	1:30-4:30 p.m.
Session 371	Sunday, November 22	1:30-4:30 p.m.
Session 372	Sunday, December 20	1:30-4:30 p.m.

FAMILY ADVENTURES

Session fee for a family of four:

FOZ members – \$12 each for one, two or three evenings; or \$40 for all four sessions

Non-members – \$16 each for one, two or three evenings; or \$55 for all four sessions

Each additional family member: \$2/FOZ members, \$3/Non-members

Register early! Family Adventures are limited to seven families (approximately 30 people).

September

"The Frog Wore Red Suspenders" – We'll read poetry from the book and learn about some of the animals featured in the poems. Each family will receive a copy of the book to take home.

Session 380	September 3	6-7:30 p.m.
Session 381	September 24	6-7:30 p.m.

October

Owl-O-Ween – Learn more facts about our native Missouri owls and some of the superstitions associated with owls. Of course, there will be a take-home surprise.

Session 382	October 1	6-7:30 p.m.
Session 383	October 15	6-7:30 p.m.



REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

Activities are planned for age-specific abilities. Please follow these age guidelines:

Zoo Tots: Children 2 and 3 years old, with an accompanying adult. Siblings attending (other than infants) also need a registration form and fee.

Preschoolers: Children 4-6 years old.

Grade refers to grade completed.

- ⇒ Register early; classes often fill quickly. Call 417-833-1570 to see if space is available in the session you prefer before mailing your registration, or check our Web site www.dickersonparkzoo.org
- ⇒ No registrations will be taken by phone.
- ⇒ If your child has a disability and requires accommodations to participate in **Z.E.B.R.A.** classes, please contact the zoo office at least one week prior to the start of the session to discuss the accommodations needed.
- ⇒ Send a separate registration form (photocopies are fine) for each child. **If you are car-pooling, mail all registrations together.**
- ⇒ Confirmations are only sent if your child is placed in the second-choice session. To receive a confirmation regardless of session, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope or include your email address on your registration form.

- ⇒ Please indicate on the registration form if you are willing to attend an alternate date, should your first choice be unavailable.
- ⇒ Make checks payable to Friends of the Zoo.
- ⇒ Send your registration form and payment to Friends of the Zoo, Education Department 3043 North Fort, Springfield, MO 65803

Or, fax your registration with credit card information to 417-833-4459.
- ⇒ To receive a receipt for fees paid by credit card, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- ⇒ Refunds are issued only if the program is filled or canceled or if there is an emergency.
- ⇒ Questions? Call 417-833-1570 or email info@dickersonparkzoo.org

Parking is available at the Education Building, located on Smith Street between the zoo and the fairgrounds. As you approach the Zoo Admission Gate, the road has a Y. Follow the road to the right to the Education Building.

New arrival/dismissal policy for all ZEBRA participants: A parent, guardian or other supervising adult must sign the student in and out each day the student attends a Z.E.B.R.A. class. Please do not drop off or pick up your child without also coming into the education building.

ZEBRA Registration Form

Male Female

Student's Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Age/Grade _____

Parent's Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Daytime Emergency Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Allergies or other medical concerns of which we should be aware. _____

FOZ Member, Expiration date _____ Non-Member

I hereby authorize Dickerson Park Zoo and Friends of the Zoo to take any steps to ensure my child's health in case of an emergency. I also authorize Dickerson Park Zoo to use my child's name and/or photograph for education and public relations purposes related to the zoo.

Parent's Signature _____

Session(s) Requested

First Choice

Second Choice

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Check enclosed payable to Friends of the Zoo

Master Card Visa Discover

Account # _____ exp. _____

Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope if you would like to receive a receipt for your credit card purchase.

Signature (Charge not valid without signature.) _____

For information on how you can join Friends of the Zoo (FOZ) and receive a discount on these classes, along with many other member benefits, call 417-833-1570.