



ON-SITE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Fresno Chaffee Zoo offers a number of on-site programs to make your visit to the Zoo a more educational and rich experience.

For more information on these programs or to book a date, please call us at 559.498.5929 or email Elizabeth Sayles, Onsite Program Coordinator, at esayles@fresnochaffeezoo.org.

Please Note: Advanced registration of at least 3 weeks is required for all On-Site Education Programs.

LAB PROGRAMS:

- These 60-75 minute lab programs include 4 interactive stations, each catering to different learning modalities and are geared toward California State Standards. Zoo educators and docents present these labs with classroom technology (tablets), hands-on activities with zoo biofacts, and a live animal presentation.
- *Minimum 20 participants required. Space is limited to two lab rotations per day (60 students per rotation, 120 students per day). Please call the education department to discuss available dates and details.*
- Labs can be adapted for other grade levels including High School and College. *Additional fees may apply.*
- Cost: \$5 per student, in addition to zoo admission.

LAB TOPICS:

- **Habitats Lab** – Grades 1-3: Focus on animal adaptations for their specific habitats.
 - **Life Cycles Lab** – Grade 2: Study egg layers and amphibian and insect life cycles.
 - **Ecosystems Lab** – Grades 4-6: Examine an ecosystem dependency web and study animal survival strategies.
 - **Structure & Function Lab** – Grades 6-8, High School, and College: Learn about diets, habitats and biological specializations of many species of mammals and birds. Studying the form and function of various animal skulls, hair and other biological artifacts. *(Structure & Function is 90 minutes/maximum 40 students per rotation/80 per day.)*
 - *Additional lab based program options may be available once the school calendar is full.*
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ZOO PREVIEW:

- **Pre K – Kindergarten:** This 60 minute hands-on program is a great learning supplement to your zoo visit. Students rotate through multiple stations and learn about characteristics of birds, mammals, and reptiles through hands-on activities. Students will explore and touch biofacts including hair, bones, feathers, and more. Geared towards California State Science Standards.
 - *Space is limited. Please call the education department to discuss available dates.*
 - Zoo Preview can be adapted for special needs groups.
 - Cost: \$2 per student, in addition to zoo admission. Minimum 20 participants required.
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DOCENT LED ZOO TOUR:

- Take a walk on the wild side of the zoo with a one-hour docent led tour. Learn exciting facts about animal habitats, diets, and behaviors in a small group setting (approximately 1 docent per 10 paid participants).
 - One hour Docent Led Tours are available for students (2nd grade and beyond) or public groups.
 - *Please call the education department to discuss available dates and tour options.*
 - Cost: \$2 per person, in addition to zoo admission. Minimum 20 participants required.
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BEHIND THE SCENES GROUP TOUR:

- This unique, exciting, and educational experience gives your group a once-in-a-lifetime chance at a special glimpse into what happens behind the scenes at the zoo! Meet zookeepers and animals as your group visits three different exhibit areas to learn the daily duties of preparing animal diets, observing behaviors, training, and more.
- Note: Behind the Scenes Tours are animal and keeper dependent. Departments are not guaranteed.
- *Please call the education department to discuss available dates and tour options.*
- Cost: \$20 per person, in addition to zoo admission. \$400 minimum payment required at time of booking (covers 20 participant minimum). Final reservation numbers are due 2 weeks prior to visit for zoo staffing preparation. Due to behind the scenes space restrictions, additional guests the day-of may not be permitted depending on the size of your group and the departments scheduled for your tour.

TWILIGHT SAFARI:

- Join our staff field biologist after hours on a guided twilight safari tour throughout the zoo to discuss animal behavior. Enjoy this evening walk as we explain myths and misunderstandings about animals and their habitats. Don't forget comfy shoes!
- *Please call the education department to discuss available dates and tour options.*
- Cost: \$15 children age 2-11/\$20 adults and seniors, in addition to zoo admission. Minimum 20 participants required.

ZOO TALKS:

- Enjoy a lively and engaging presentation on any animal, natural history theme, or biology topic of your choice. These programs are led by our field biologist and resident "Bat Lady", Burleigh Lockwood.
- Zoo Talks are available for any age group.
- *Please call the education department to discuss available dates and topics.*
- Cost: \$55 per presentation, in addition to zoo admission.

OVERNIGHT ZOOFARI:

- Grab your tents, get your flashlights, and organize your scout group, campfire troop, or youth group to experience the zoo overnight. Set up camp in our education grove and tour the zoo after hours with our docents. A Zoo Talk presentation on a topic of your choosing is available, depending on the size of your group. The zoo provides an evening snack and continental breakfast. Full day admission to the zoo and giraffe feeding included in ticket price.
- *Dates are extremely limited. Please call the education department to discuss available dates and requirements.*
- Cost: \$40 per person, 30 person/\$1,200 minimum required. 20% deposit required at time of booking, final payment due 2 weeks prior to camp out.

FRESNO CHAFFEE ZOO ADMISSION PRICING

General Admission

Ticket Type	Single Admission	Groups 20-99 People	Groups 100-299 People	Groups 300-499 People	Groups 500-999 People	Groups 1,000+ people
Adult (12-61)	\$ 12.95	\$ 12.50	\$ 11.95	\$ 11.50	\$ 10.95	\$ 10.50
Child (2-11)	\$ 7.95	\$ 7.50	\$ 6.95	\$ 6.50	\$ 5.95	\$ 5.50
Seniors (Age 62+)	\$ 7.95	\$ 7.50	\$ 6.95	\$ 6.50	\$ 5.95	\$ 5.50
Infants (1 and Under)	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free

School Field Trip Pricing

School Groups	Students	Chaperones	Additional Adults
Inside Fresno County	\$ 3.00	<i>FCZ provides 1 free chaperone ticket for every 5 paid students</i>	\$ 6.00
Outside Fresno County	\$ 4.00		\$ 7.00

Field Trip Add-Ons

- Stingray Bay Group Rate: \$1 per person when paid in advance (\$2 at exhibit entry)
Everyone pays for entry to Stingray Bay, including free chaperones
- Giraffe Feeding: \$2 per person, per feeding (\$3 at exhibit entry)
- Savannah Scout Guide: \$2 per guide - *Students can take home their very own field journal with 24 challenges to supplement our African Adventure exhibit.*

Fresno Chaffee Zoo Hours of Operation

- Fall and Winter: 9 AM – 4 PM daily (Winged Wonders Bird Show does not run during late fall and winter months)
- Spring: 9 AM – 6 PM daily
- Summer: Varies, please visit fresnochaffeezoo.org for the most up-to-date hours of operation.
- *Hours are subject to change. Please check with the zoo for exact hours of operation for your field trip date.*