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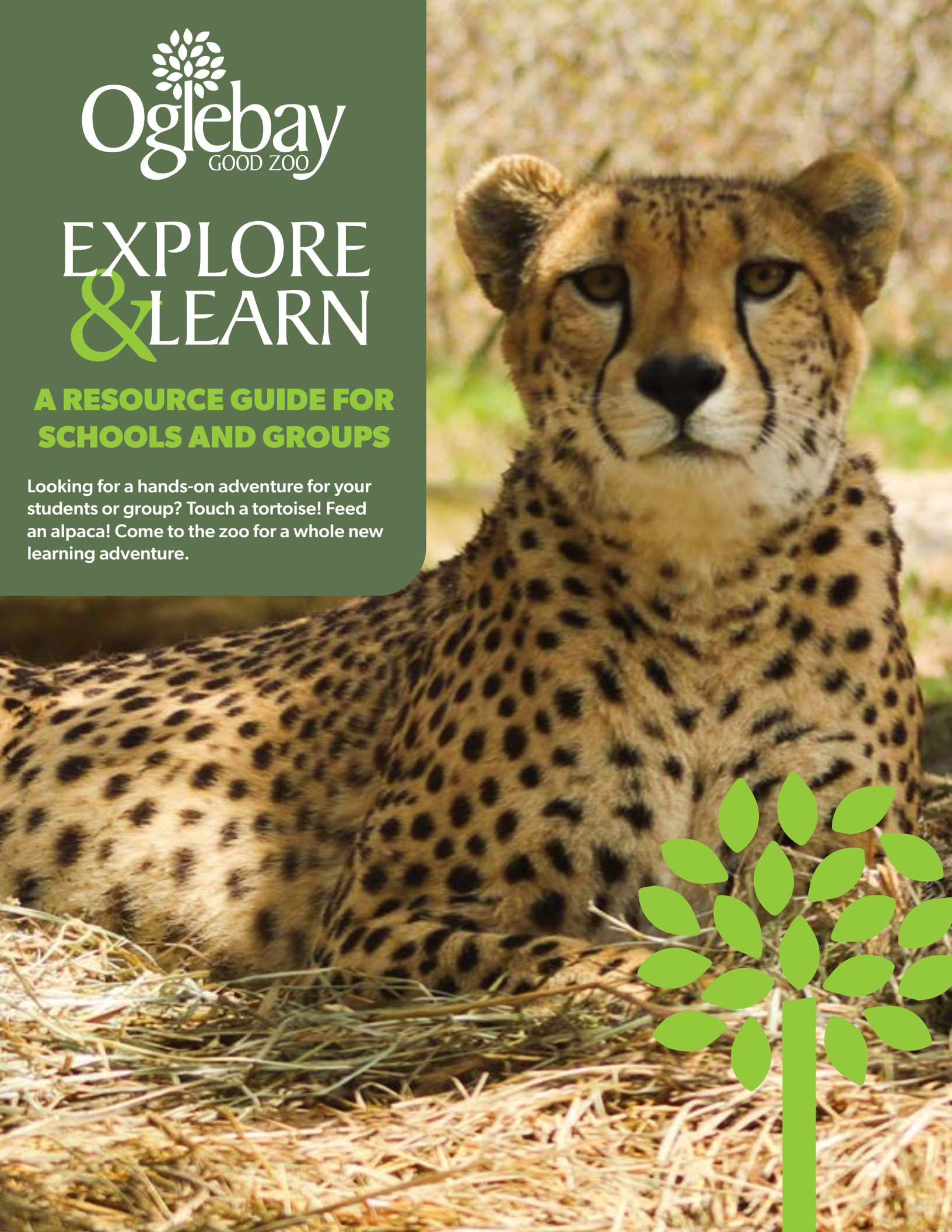
GOOD ZOO

EXPLORE & LEARN

A RESOURCE GUIDE FOR SCHOOLS AND GROUPS

Looking for a hands-on adventure for your students or group? Touch a tortoise! Feed an alpaca! Come to the zoo for a whole new learning adventure.



WHAT'S NEW AT THE GOOD ZOO

TRACKLESS TRAIN

Enjoy a ride on the new train. See where the animals live and learn fun facts about them along the way. Scheduled train ride is 45 minutes. *Additional fees apply.*

NEW! JUMBO JUMPER AIR PILLOW

Children can bounce like a kangaroo or wallaby on our new jumbo jumper air pillow. Outdoor attraction is open weather permitting and may only be offered during a scheduled time. *Additional fees apply.*

NEW! LOW ROPES COURSE

Children will have a blast climbing like a monkey and testing their balancing skills on the new low ropes course. *Additional fees apply.*

NEW ANIMALS & HABITATS

Home to 50 species of animals, 20 of which are rare or endangered, the Good Zoo is the only institution in the state of West Virginia accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums.

Check out our newest zoo residents and great new habitats for the pallas cat, serval, black & white ruffed lemurs, and maned wolves!

PALLAS CAT

This small cat species is the newest resident of the zoo. Look closely! They are great at hiding in small cracks and burrows.

MANED WOLF

Despite what their name implies, this canid species is not technically a wolf! These unique animals have incredibly long legs to see over the grasslands of South America.

BLACK & WHITE RUFFED LEMUR

Our pair of primates from Madagascar enjoy climbing, leaping and hanging around their habitat. You may even catch them sun-bathing on a bench!

SERVAL

Servals, a mid-sized cat from a variety of habitats of sub-Saharan Africa, are the only cat that is both striped and spotted.

See and learn more about our serval, Malika, in her brand new habitat!

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EDZOOCATION

EDZOOCATION PROGRAMS

Edzoocation Programs are 30-minute programs that incorporate animal ambassadors, biofacts, and multimedia components to teach students about a variety of topics. We encourage scouts, church groups, after-school programs and others to take advantage of these programs.

EDZOOCATION TOURS

Integrate classroom learning and real-world application with the ones who know it best! Take a journey on a behind-the-scenes look at our veterinary hospital, or discover what it takes to create habitats for our animals. Learn about a region's wildlife in our hands-on classroom before venturing into the zoo to see the animals and their habitats up close.

- 45-minute to 1-hour guided tours of specific zoo area
- Gives educators an opportunity to use any zoo animal or facility in teaching students on a variety of topics
- All programs and tours are created for the designated age group, and the content is aligned with the current educational standards*
- Most programs can be adapted for a variety of age groups

Tours are of specific areas of the zoo only. They are NOT full tours.

**WV Content Standards & Objectives, including WV College Career Readiness Standards, Next Generation Content Standards & Objectives and Early Learning Standards Framework*

VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

We also offer our Edzoocation Programs virtually through Zoom! These programs are 30 minutes long. You may choose from any of our Edzoocation Program topics, or let us know how we can customize a program to fit into your curriculum.

PRICING

EDZOOCATION PROGRAM OR EDZOOCATION TOUR

Choose from a program or tour. Programs are limited and scheduled on a first received basis. Times for programs will be assigned after registration.

Number in Group: (includes adults & students)

Up to 44: $317.24	109-152: $1,095.92
45-64: $461.44	153-172: $1,240.12
65-108: $778.68	173-196: $1,413.16

Add ons:

Train Ride: $4.12/person
Jumbo Jumper Air Pillow: $1.60/person
Low Ropes Course: $8.24/person

Edzoocation Tours are of specific areas of the zoo, and NOT full tours. Groups larger than 64 students will require two programs to accommodate for classroom size.

VIRTUAL EDZOOCATION PROGRAMS

1 program: $82.40 Series of 4 programs: $278.10

Rate includes zoo admission where applicable. Rates are subject to change. Tax-exempt organizations and schools must provide a copy of their Tax Exempt Certificate (SSTGR Form F0003) with their Group Reservation/Field Trip Request Form. Tax will be added if this form is not received by the zoo at least 10 days prior to the date of the field trip. You may download the form from www.state.wv.us/taxrev/sst/f0003.pdf

ZOO TO YOU PROGRAMS

Can't come to the zoo? We'll bring the zoo to you! **Zoo to You Programs** are 45-minute presentations from one of our Zoo Educators and some of our animals—a perfect supplement to your school curriculum, after school programs, scout meetings, summer camps, etc. Choose one of the Edzoocation Program topics.

Animals may include birds, reptiles, amphibians, insects, and small mammals. Sorry, the zebra won't fit in the van! Yes, some animals may be touched depending on the size of the audience. Small groups are encouraged. 50+ students is too large to permit touching.

***Zoo to You Programs** are offered year-round. Limited availability during April and May.*

Program Cost: $236.90

Schools and non-profit organizations receive a discounted rate of $180.25 per program. Additional programs held on the same day at the same site are $77.25 each. Multiple programs should be scheduled less than 30 minutes apart. When the gap between the programs exceeds 30 minutes, additional fees may apply. For groups located more than 25 miles away, a mileage fee of $1.60 will be charged per mile over 25 miles.

Studying a specific animal or ecosystem?

Programs & tours can be customized to fit into your curriculum or class needs!

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ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS & EXPERIENCES

The Good Zoo conducts workshop programs and sleepovers for schools, scouts, clubs, church groups or any other organization that wants an exciting educational experience.

WORKSHOPS

Available year-round on Saturday and Sunday afternoons beginning at 10 am. Weekday programs are available.

Workshops include zoo admission, program presented by zoo education staff, guided tour, live animal presentation.

Duration: 2 hours

$15.45 Youth
$9.27 Adult

A $200 non-refundable deposit is required at the time of booking. The balance is due on the day of the program. Payments may be made by credit card, cash, or check payable to "Good Zoo."

SLEEPOVERS

Sleepovers are held Friday or Saturday nights. Weekday programs are also available.

Sleepovers include zoo admission, program presented by zoo education staff, guided tour, live animal presentation, nighttime snack (pizza) & continental breakfast.

Duration: Overnight
7:00 pm - 10:30 am

$30.90 Youth
$23.69 Adult

A $400 non-refundable deposit is required at the time of booking. The balance is due on the day of the program. Payments may be made by credit card, cash, or check payable to "Good Zoo."

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Zoo birthday parties are a fun, easy, and educational way to celebrate a birthday. For more information or to schedule a birthday party, visit Programs & Parties at oglebay.com under Zoo.

SUMMER CAMPS

Experience wildlife, nature, science, and the outdoors through hands-on activities, experiments, and animal ambassadors! Various camp programs are available for ages 4 and up. Camp sizes are limited, so register early!

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS

These up-close experiences allow zoo guests to get into the exhibit with the keepers to help feed and train the animals! Funds received through these programs benefit the zoo's conservation programs.

PLAN YOUR TRIP

PLAN YOUR SLEEPOVER OR WORKSHOP

Please have the following information available before making your reservation:

1. Date of your trip and alternate date
2. Group contact information (name, address, phone, email)
3. Number of youth and adults
4. Program topic
5. Group type (Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, church group, etc.)
6. Number of train, jumbo jumper and low ropes course tickets needed (if applicable)

PLAN YOUR BIRTHDAY PARTY

Please have the following information available before making your reservation:

1. Date of your trip and alternate date
2. Contact information (name, address, phone, email)
3. Child's name and age
4. Choice of theme (Happy Birthday, Safari, or Dinosaur)
5. Do you want to add a critter connection (animals visiting your party)?
6. Number of train, jumbo jumper and low ropes course tickets needed (if applicable)
7. Do you want the zoo to provide additional food (pizza, hot dogs, pretzels, etc)?

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CONTACT & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CONTACT US

Need help planning your trip, workshop or sleepover?
Phone: 304-243-4100
Email: ZooOffice@oglebay.com

Want to know more about Edzoocation or Zoo to You Programs?
Phone: 304-243-4100
Email: ZooOffice@oglebay.com

Scheduling an animal encounter or needing additional information about Summer Camps?
Phone: 304-243-4100
Email: ZooOffice@oglebay.com

Interested in virtual or custom programs?
Phone: 304-243-4068
Email: csynder@oglebay.com

Want to schedule a birthday party?
Phone: 304-243-4100
Email: ZooOffice@oglebay.com

ZOO HOURS

Visit our website or contact the Zoo Office for current operating hours and additional information at 304-243-4100.

ZOO ADMISSION

Zoo admission is included with Edzoocation Programs and Tours!

Groups with 1-24 people

Adults	$14.37
Students	$10.25
Train Ride	$5.15

Groups with 25 or more people

Adults	$8.76
Students	$6.18
Train Ride	$4.12

One teacher or staff member admitted FREE for every 10 students. Rates are subject to change. Tax exempt organizations and schools must provide a copy of the multi-state Tax Exempt Form (SSTGR Form F0003) at least 5 days prior to their zoo visit. Groups must pay in one lump sum. Any adults paying separately from the group will be charged regular admission rate of $11.45 plus taxes and fees.

FOOD

SNACK BARS

Hot dogs, popcorn, soft drinks, and more are available at our snack bars. If your group plans to order from the snack bars, please inform us at the time of booking so we may serve you more efficiently. No food may be brought into the zoo.

BOX LUNCHES

Box lunches contain your choice of turkey wrap, hot dog, or chicken nuggets, chips, fruit cup, string cheese, and beverage. Box lunches must be ordered at least one week prior to the field trip. Please inform us of any special needs when ordering. Minimum order of 10 lunches.

Cost: $5.97/person

SHELTERS

Groups visiting the zoo Monday through Friday, April 3 – June 2, 2023 are welcome to share the Levenson Shelter at the end of the zoo parking lot for lunch. This covered shelter has picnic tables and restrooms. Private picnic sites or shelters may be reserved for an additional fee. Inquire when booking your program for pricing and availability. Shelters may be reserved online at oglebay.com

NATURE EXPRESS SHOP

Complete your trip to the zoo with a visit to the gift shop. Here, you will find many nature and science educational items!

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PROGRAM CATALOG

The following programs are for on-site Edzoocation Programs and/or Zoo to You Programs. Sleepover program topics can be found on our website at oglebay.com under Zoo.

ALL AUDIENCES

FUR, FEATHERS, SCALE, AND SKIN
Birds, mammals, and reptiles have a lot in common, but on the outside they look completely different. Explore the differences between the furry, the feathery, and the scaly, as we interact with animal ambassadors to figure out how what an animal is wearing can tell us about what it is.

(S.K.GS.3, S.K.GS.5, S.1.GS.6, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.9, S.4.GS.9, S.4.GS.10, S.4.GS.7, S.6.LS.1, S.7.LS.3, S.8.LS.1, S.8.LS.2, S.8.LS.10)

HOME SWEET BIOME
What makes a habitat a home? Learn about biomes that range from temperate to extreme and meet animals from all around the world.

(S.K.GS.4, S.K.GS.6, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.7, S.3.GS.8, S.3.GS.11, S.5.GS.10, S.6.LS.1, S.6.LS.2, S.6.LS.5, S.6.LS.6, S.6.LS.7, S.7.ESS.7, S.8.LS.2)

PICKY EATER
Can you identify the differences between carnivores, herbivores, and omnivores? Take a look at some of the items on the zoo's grocery list and decide if any of it looks like something you would want for dinner.

(S.K.GS.3, S.K.GS.5, S.2.GS.6, S.3.GS.12, S.4.GS.9, S.5.GS.7, S.6.LS.1, S.6.LS.5, S.8.LS.7)

THE UNLOVABLES
Show some love to the animals that aren't necessarily cute and cuddly. Meet some of our animal ambassadors that range from creepy and crawly to scaly and slimy in this program that focuses on invertebrates, amphibians, and reptiles.

(S.K.GS.3, S.K.GS.5, S.1.GS.6, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.9, S.4.GS.9, S.4.GS.7, S.6.LS.1, S.8.LS.1, S.8.LS.2)

CAN I KEEP IT?
Some animals make good pets, and some animals don't. With the help of both wild and domestic species, find out what makes one animal a great addition to your family while another requires a zoo full of keepers to care for it.

(S.K.GS.3, S.K.GS.5, S.1.GS.6, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.5, S.3.GS.10, S.3.GS.11, S.6.LS.1, S.8.LS.2)

WHAT'S IN A WETLAND? *TOUR*
Wet your feet in an exploration of a habitat that is extremely important not only for the animals that live there, but for humans as well. Meet some of our animal ambassadors that call wetlands their home, before heading into the zoo to see a wetland in action.

(S.K.GS.4, S.K.GS.6, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.7, S.3.GS.8, S.3.GS.11, S.5.GS.10, S.6.LS.1, S.6.LS.2, S.6.LS.5, S.6.LS.6, S.6.LS.7, S.7.ESS.7, S.8.LS.2)

ADAPT THIS *TOUR*
Animals can be found all across the globe, from frozen tundra to scorching deserts, and dealing with those conditions can be tough if you aren't well adapted. Take a look at some of the coolest behavioral and physical adaptations some animals have to help them live in even the most remote reaches of the planet.

S.K.GS.5, S.1.GS.7, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.8, S.4.GS.9, S.6.LS.2, S.7.LS.3, S.8.LS.1, S.8.LS.3)

WHAT'S OUTSIDE YOUR WINDOW? *TOUR*
The Ohio Valley is brimming with wildlife, even if you don't see it every day. We'll use some of our native species animal ambassadors to teach you about the animals that may be living right in your own backyard.

(S.K.GS.4, S.K.GS.6, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.7, S.3.GS.11, S.5.GS.10, S.6.LS.1, S.6.LS.2, S.6.LS.5, S.6.LS.7, S.7.ESS.7, S.8.LS.2)

PRE-K - GRADE 2

I LIKE TO MOVE IT, MOVE IT!
Will it fly, slither, or hop? Animals move in different ways, and we'll get you moving with them in this program that keeps you on your feet. Meet some of our zoo animals and predict how they can get around.

(S.K.GS.4, S.2.GS.6, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.5, S.3.GS.7, S.3.GS.12, S.4.GS.9)

TAIL TALES
Listen to some new stories or classic favorites, and then get up close with the animals that bring these books to life.

(ELA.K.31, ELA.1.31, ELA.1.33, ELA.2.31, ELA.3.31)

COLOR SAFARI
Explore the world of color as we investigate the rainbow of colors found throughout the animal kingdom. See why some animals want to stand out from the crowd, while others do their best to blend in.

(SC.PK.SI.FK.2, AR.PK.VA.FV.1, M.PK.MD.RI.1, S.K.GS.3, S.1.GS.6, S.2.GS.7)

KINDERGARTEN - GRADE 5

ANIMAL SENSES
See, smell, hear, taste, and touch. Stopping short of tasting, we'll use our own senses to investigate different animals and the special structures they have to help them sense the world around them.

(S.K.GS.3, S.2.GS.7, S.4.GS.9, S.4.GS.10)

PROGRAM CATALOG (CONT.)

UP ALL NIGHT
Tons of the animals that live around us don't exactly keep the same sleep schedule we do. We'll make sure to wake up some of our own nocturnal critters to greet you as we figure out why some animals want to sleep all day and be up all night.

(S.K.GS.3, S.K.GS.5, S.1.GS.6, S.3.GS.7, S.3.GS.12, S.4.GS.9, S.5.GS.7)

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD CHAINS
Piece together the puzzle of a food chain as you meet some of our animal ambassadors. Figure out where they get their energy, and just maybe what eats them.

(S.2.GS.6, S.5.GS.5, S.5.GS.7, S.6.LS.1, S.6.LS.6)

GRADE 3-8

INSIDE OUT
Get a real inside look, as you investigate animal x-rays and skulls. With the help of animal artifacts, we'll see how different animals are built from the inside out as we compare what's underneath to the living, breathing genuine article.

(S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.12, S.4.GS.9, S.6.LS.7, S.7.LS.3, S.8.LS.3, S.8.LS.7, S.8.LS.8, S.2.GS.8, S.4.GS.11, S.7.ESS.3, S.7.ESS.4, S.7.ESS.5)

ALIEN INVADERS
Alien and invasive species are one of the leading causes of extinction today. Discover how animals become aliens and what scientists are doing to try and stop that trend.

(S.K.GS.4, S.K.GS.5, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.7, S.5.GS.10, S.6.LS.1, S.6.LS.5, S.6.LS.7, S.7.ESS.7, S.8.LS.10)

ANIMAL MYTHBUSTERS
We've heard some crazy things about animals. Does a scared ostrich bury its head in the sand? Can a meerkat eat a scorpion without getting sick? With your help, we'll investigate to find out if those stories are fact or fiction.

(S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.5, S.4.GS.9, S.6.LS.1, S.8.LS.1)

THE GREAT AMERICAN INTERCHANGE *TOUR*
Though connected today, North and South America spent over 150 million years separate from one another, giving plenty of time for unique animals to arise on both continents. Meet species of North and South American ancestry, and learn about the huge changes that came once the two continents connected and the impact of Native Americans on those species.

(S.3.GS.6, SS.3.21, S.7.ESS.5, S.7.ESS.6, S.8.LS.6, S.8.LS.7)

LAND DOWN UNDER *TOUR*
Australia has many unique creatures with some crazy features. Learn about the weird, the beautiful, and the unwanted in this exploration that will take you to the other side of the globe.

(S.K.GS.5, S.1.GS.5, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.12, S.4.GS.9, S.5.GS.7, S.6.LS.5, S.7.ESS.7, S.8.LS.2)

CONSERVATION EXPLORATION *TOUR*
Wildlife conservation is one of the most important responsibilities of the Good Zoo. Visit with some of the zoo's most endangered species, learn a little bit about why these animals are facing such a tough time in the wild, and find out what zoos are doing to help.

(S.K.GS.6, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.7, S.5.GS.10, S.6.LS.5, S.6.LS.7, S.7.ESS.7, S.8.ESS.1)

RAPTOR REHAB *TOUR*
Birds of prey are apex predators, helping to control the populations of rodents and other small mammals. Head into the zoo with one of our educators to meet some of our rehabbed raptors and learn about how we're able to help injured birds get back on their feet and back into the wild

(S.K.GS.6, S.3.GS.7, S.3.GS.12, S.4.GS.10, S.5.GS.10, S.6.LS.2, S.8.ESS.1)

GRADE 6-8

CLASSIFICATION CONNECTION
Bet you didn't know a deer has more in common with a whale than it does a horse. In this program, explore how scientists are able to identify common ancestors and come to conclusions like birds are living dinosaurs. With the help of animal ambassadors, we'll figure out where some animals, and ourselves, fit on the evolutionary tree.

(S.8.LS.6, S.8.LS.7, S.8.LS.8, S.8.LS.9, S.8.LS.10)

ANIMAL TRAINING
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(S.K.GS.4, S.K.GS.5, S.2.GS.7, S.3.GS.7, S.5.GS.10, S.6.LS.1, S.6.LS.5, S.6.LS.7, S.7.ESS.7, S.8.LS.10)

ZOO ENGINEER *TOUR*
At the zoo, most people are just looking at the animals, but plenty of work goes into designing naturalistic exhibits to mirror an animal's native habitat. Head into the zoo with one of our educators to get a firsthand look at how we've brought places like Madagascar, the Amazon, or the Himalayas right here to the Ohio Valley.

(S.K-2.ETS.1, S.3-5.ETS.2, S.6-8.ETS.1, S. 6-8.ETS.2)

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Oglebay GOOD ZOO FIELD TRIP RESERVATION REQUEST

Please complete applicable fields or register online at oglebay.com

Grade Level(s) _____ Arrival Date Requested _____ Arrival Time Requested _____

Group Name/Contact Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Emergency Contact # _____

Tax Exemption: ☐ No ☐ Yes *Tax exemption from (SSTGR Form F003) must be received with request. Download form: https://www.us-taxrev-sst-sstgb.pdf*

Attendance Count: Youth _____ Adults _____

Check those that apply:

☐ Zoo ☐ Train Ride ☐ Jumbo Jumper Air Pillow ☐ Low Ropes Course ☐ Educational Program/Tour
(Program times will be determined by availability on a first-received basis.)

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Educational Programs & Tours (Check program selections). All programs are 1/2 hour unless otherwise noted.

All Audiences
- ☐ Fur, Feathers, Scale, and Skin
- ☐ Home Sweet Biome
- ☐ Picky Eater
- ☐ The Unlovables
- ☐ What's in a Wetland?*
- ☐ Can I Keep It?
- ☐ What's Outside Your Window?*
- ☐ Adapt This*

Pre-K - Grade 2
- ☐ I Like to Move It, Move It
- ☐ Tail Tales
- ☐ Color Safari

Kindergarten - Grade 5
- ☐ Animal Senses
- ☐ Up All Night
- ☐ Food Glorious Food Chains

Grade 3 - 8
- ☐ Inside Out
- ☐ Alien Invaders
- ☐ Animal Mythbusters
- ☐ The Great American Interchange*
- ☐ Land Down Under*
- ☐ Conservation Exploration*
- ☐ Raptor Rehab*

Grade 6 to 8
- ☐ Classification Connection
- ☐ Animal Training
- ☐ Zoo Engineer*

**Edzoocation Tours*

Boxed Lunch ($5.97/person): ☐ No ☐ Yes

Available Lunches:

☐ Hot Dog Qty. Ordered _____ ☐ Turkey Wrap Qty. Ordered _____ ☐ Chicken Nuggets Qty. Ordered _____

Comments/Special Needs _____

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Dates will not be reserved without a deposit. Deposits are non-refundable once a program is confirmed. Taxes and historical preservation fee apply.

Amount enclosed: $ _____ Personal checks or credit cards cannot be accepted for tax exempt groups.

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