



**JOIN THE FUN**



**AMERICA'S TEACHING ZOO**  
EXOTIC ANIMAL TRAINING & MANAGEMENT

MOORPARK COLLEGE

7075 Campus Road  
Moorpark, CA 93021



## JR. SAFARI

Allow your child the unique opportunity to come up close and personal with the zoo's animal collection while participating in age appropriate science-based learning experiences. All projects are designed not only to entertain, but also to educate the campers about the natural world of animals. We have put together a summary of themes, hours, and activities your camper will be participating in.

## ACTIVITIES

Camp activities include animal presentations, handling opportunities\*, art projects, and science projects. All activities have been developed by our professional zoo education staff with the campers age in mind. Activities occur within the safety of zoo grounds under direct supervision. The campers will have special access to the back areas, barns, classrooms, zoo kitchen, and wildlife theater.

*Full day campers are required to bring a lunch.*

Fridays are special days here at the zoo. Full day campers will have the special privilege of inviting their family and friends to attend an animal show that they have prepared. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to see what your camper has learned during their week, so bring your cameras.

## COUNSELOR IN TRAINING

**FOR AGES 14 -17.** This is a great opportunity to practice leadership skills while helping campers develop a passion for animals, conservation and science. All hours assisting counselors count as community service. The \$50 fee includes a camp t-shirt for each week. Counselors in Training must be available for Full Day during any camp week. Candidates must have attended a minimum of one week of Jr. Safari Summer Camp, and be 14-17 years old. Please note, while you will be working in a zoo setting, this is an opportunity to work with children not animals. Participation is subject to staff approval due to limited space. *Contact [kromero@vcccd.edu](mailto:kromero@vcccd.edu) for an application.*

## CAMP HOURS

A full camp day runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Due to the COVID pandemic we have created some new procedures to keep our campers safe

- All campers must wear a mask at all times. Counselor and CITs will also be wearing masks.
- All campers will go through a temperature check and simple health questionnaire at the beginning of the day.
- Campers will be encouraged to maintain socially distance from other individuals
- Groups are limited to 15 campers for every two adult counselors limiting their exposure to large groups
- All groups will rotate through the activities further limiting their exposure to other groups
- Each camper will receive their own personal "Camp Kit" providing their own personal items that are traditionally shared in a camp setting such as Art supplies
- Each group will have their own "cool down areas" indoors. This will provide for social distancing and a chance to cool down safely indoors.
- Games will be limited to non-contact types such as "Red light/Green light"
- All surfaces in the zoo are disinfected each hour!

## REFUND POLICY

If unforeseen circumstances arise, refunds are as follows:

- Up to two weeks before your start date, a full refund minus a \$10 handling fee.
- Within two weeks of your start date, a 50% refund.
- Once your camp date has arrived, no refund will be given.

All refunds will come in the form of a check from Ventura County Community College District. To receive a refund, you **MUST** submit a copy of your cleared bank check to us! Allow 5-7 weeks for your refund.

*\*Please understand that although we have many touchable animals at the zoo, the campers' safety is always our first concern. Therefore, campers will not come in physical contact with all the animals at the zoo.*



# START YOUR ADVENTURE HERE!

Camper Name \_\_\_\_\_

Homeschool ages 5-12	JUNE 7 - JUNE 11 STEAM in the Zoo	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM
1st & 2nd GRADE	JUNE 14-18 Zookeeping 101	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM
3rd & 4th GRADE	JUNE 21-25 Wild in the City	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM
3rd & 4th GRADE	JUNE 28 TO JULY 2 Zookeeping 101	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM
1st & 2nd GRADE	JULY 5-9 Animal Detectives	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM
5th & 6th GRADE	JULY 12-16 STEAM in the ZOO	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM
5th & 6th GRADE	JULY 19-23 Zookeeping 101	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM
7th & 8th GRADE	JULY 26-30 Zookeeping 101	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM
7th & 8th GRADE	AUGUST 2-6 Animal DREAM Jobs	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Day 8:30 _ 4:00PM

**Members receive a discounted registration fee. To become a member of the zoo please contact us: [kromero@vcccd.edu](mailto:kromero@vcccd.edu)**

## PAYMENT INFORMATION:

\_\_\_\_\_ # weeks x Full Day (\$295) = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # weeks x Full Day Members (\$250) = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # EXTRA T-SHIRT (\$10) = \_\_\_\_\_

## \* COUNSELOR IN TRAINING

- Candidates must be 14 - 17 years old and have previously participated in at least one full week of Jr. Safari Summer Camp at America's Teaching Zoo.
- Participation is subject to staff approval due to limited space.
- Available in FULL DAY only for ages 14-17 any week to assist camp counselors.

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## CAMP T-SHIRTS

We provide a shirt for your camper to wear during their week. We require the shirt to be worn every day. Extra shirts can be purchased for \$10 each.

Please select shirt size:

- |                                    |                                    |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth SM  | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult SM  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth MED | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult MED |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth LRG | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult LRG |

## MAIL FORM & PAYMENT TO:

America's Teaching Zoo  
Moorpark College  
ATTN: Jr. Safari  
7075 Campus Dr.  
Moorpark, CA 93021



## HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?

- ☐ Zoo web site   ☐ Internet Search engine   ☐ Referral   ☐ Visited Zoo   ☐ Flyer/Mailer   ☐ Attended camp before   ☐ Other

## Assumption of Risk and Release of Liability

In case of medical emergency, I hereby grant permission to the physician selected by the camp director or their representative to order x-ray, routine tests, and treatment for the health of my child. In the event that I cannot be reached in an emergency, I give permission to the physician selected to hospitalize, secure treatment for, and to order injection and/or anesthesia and/or surgery for my child.

Junior Safari is operated by America's Teaching Zoo at Moorpark College. Junior Safari and related organizations may use pictures of my child in their promotional materials, including both printed and electronic media. My child has permission to engage in all camp activities except as noted.

In consideration of the named campers being given permission to participate in Junior Safari camp activities, we, the parents or legal guardians of the camper, on our own behalf and on behalf of the camper (hereinafter "Releasors"), hereby acknowledge and agree that we understand and fully appreciate the risk of injury involved to the camper in participating in camp activities. The Releasors nevertheless hereby release, waive, and discharge Junior Safari, its officers, employees, agents, counselors, representatives, and premises owners and operators where camp activities take place (hereinafter "Releasees") from all liability to the Releasors for any loss or damage, and any claims or demands on account of injury to the camper caused in any way by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise while the camper is participating in any way in any of Junior Safari's camp activities. The Releasors hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees, and each of them, for any loss, liability, damage, or costs and expenses including attorneys' fees they incur due to the campers participation. It is the express intention of the Releasors to exempt and relieve the Releasees from any liability for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death caused by the Releasee's own negligence related in any way to the participation of the camper in Junior Safari camp activities. The undersigned acknowledges that he or she is fully aware of the legal consequences of signing this application containing the express waiver and release of liability.

## Additional Declarations

We are committed to providing a fun, exciting and educational program. However, we are also committed to safety. To assist us in delivering a safe program for the animals and public, please read and sign that you understand the following declarations:

1. I understand all campers must be checked in and out with a camp staff member. If a Jr. Safari staff member is not in the picnic area of the zoo, I MUST go to the front gate, and a Jr. Safari staff member will come to me.
2. I agree to have my camper prepared for their entire camp day. They will have appropriate attire for the weather, closed-toed, non-slip shoes on at all times, sunscreen applied, and their own lunch (It's a good idea to bring a water bottle and extra sun block).
3. For everyone's safety, I will go over the following camp rules with my camper:
  - All campers must stay with the group and staff members at all times. If circumstances arise that a camper must leave the group, they must go to a staff member first.
  - Due to the up-close nature of our program, campers must not reach out or touch any of the animals or their enclosures unless given permission.
  - Have animal etiquette. Although we are here for fun, we must be aware of the potential to scare animals. We ask that all campers use quiet voices when asked to, walk at all times and follow the etiquette we will be learning throughout the week.

My signature below indicates that I have read and fully agree with all policies and information stated above and have gone over the rules with my camper.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# JR. SAFARI REGISTRATION FORM

## Camper Information

(Please use a separate form for each camper)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Entering Grade \_\_\_\_\_ in Fall 2021

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent/Guardian Information

1. Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_

2. Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency Contact Name (contact during camp hours when parent/guardian cannot be reached)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Medical History Information (Camp staff cannot administer, store or hold medications)

Due to the nature of our program, it is important for us to understand any medical issues that may arise during the camper's safari experience. Please answer the following to ensure the safety of your camper.

1. Does camper have any allergies (peanut, bee stings, berries)? Yes / No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Does camper have any diagnosed disorders (ADD, ADHD, Autism, etc.)? Yes / No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*\*If a special needs child attends school with an aide, aide must attend camp.\*\**

3. Any other medical conditions (asthma, hypoglycemic, diabetic)? Yes / No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Is the camper currently taking any medications (prescription or over the counter)? Yes / No

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If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Does camper have any physical limitations (walking, running, jumping, speaking)? Yes / No

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

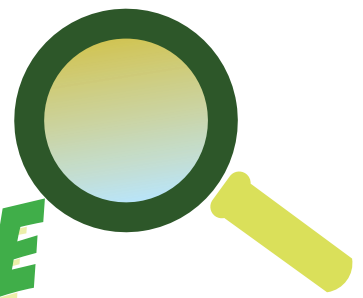




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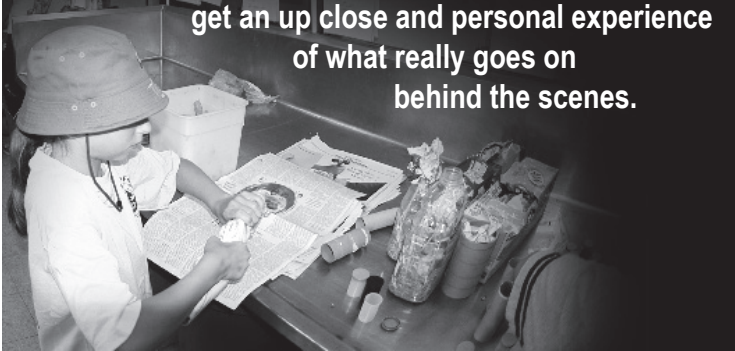
# ANIMAL ADVENTURE

WILL YOU CHOOSE?



## Zookeeping 101

Do you think you want to work at a zoo? Come with us and spend the week learning about what it really takes to be a zookeeper. We will be making diets, making enrichment and yes, even cleaning enclosures. This is your chance to get an up close and personal experience of what really goes on behind the scenes.



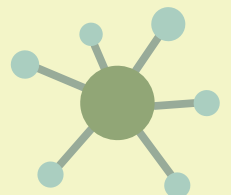
## Animal Dream Jobs

If working with animals sounds like a dream come true then this is the week to dream! Let us help you explore some of the possibilities in the animal industry. Learn about everything from training wild animals to being a vet to educating others about wildlife. Meet the REAL people who work with animals everyday AND LOVE IT!



## STEAM at the ZOO

Come join us to learn how science comes alive at the zoo. Help us as we investigate all the science, technology, engineering, art and math that goes into making the animal's lives comfortable and fun! Science is used to determine our animals food, habitat and care and you will help us as we create an animal habitat!



## Wild in the City

Did you know the only North American marsupial lives in your very own backyard? Or that the raven living on your power lines is smart enough to learn to fetch? Every day and night remarkable animals walk through your back yard. Join us while we explore all the wonders North America has to offer.



## ANIMAL DETECTIVES



Come solve the puzzles of wildlife in this week full of clues and investigation. Perfect for the curious camper, let's solve some animal mysteries with the help of the animals themselves.