



Racine Zoo Boy Scout Merit Badge Programs

Looking for a unique way for your Boy Scouts to work toward earning their merit badges while having fun? The Zoo offers unforgettable live animal programs specifically tailored by our experienced staff to be engaging, educational, and, of course, fun! These programs allow Scouts to complete merit badge requirements through games, activities, art, and more! *Please note that it is ultimately up to the discretion of the Troop or Pack Leader to determine if all merit badge requirements are completed.*

If you are interested in booking a Scout program, please fill out the Scout Program Booking Sheet (*available on the Scouts page of the Racine Zoo website*) and send it to us at least two weeks prior to your planned program date. You can also reach us at education@racinezoo.org or by phone at (262) 636-9580 to discuss your program. All programs are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis, so book today!

What We Offer:

- 2.5 hours of hands-on learning
- \$15.00 per scout (Minimum payment of \$150.00)
- Cost includes admission to the zoo
- First adult is free! Additional chaperones \$6.00/person.
- Maximum 25 people to ensure each Scout has the best possible experience



Middle School-level Boy Scout Badge Programs

Bird Study

Soar like an eagle through different habitats around the Zoo in search of birds! Learn what birdwatchers look and listen for when identifying birds in the field and how to use binoculars and field guides. Experience up-close encounters with animals who rely on birds for survival, and maybe even observe a training session with one of the Zoo's resident birds! Build a bird feeder to attract birds in your own backyard and learn how to make your backyard a helpful habitat for our local bird species.

Mammal Study

From the tallest giraffe to the smallest chinchilla, explore the Zoo in search of unique mammals that live all around the world! Interact with our ambassador animals and learn about the unique adaptations that help them survive. Create an exhibit sign for your favorite mammal at the Zoo and present it to the group. Work as a team to find ways to increase mammal populations in our area.

Insect Study

Did you know that 1 in 4 animals on Earth is a beetle? There are more species of insects than any other animal, and it's time to see how many you can find! Create an insect scrapbook showing insects you discover while exploring the Zoo. Have up-close encounters with insects while learning how to identify different species. Use a magnifying glass to help you locate and label the different parts of an insect and learn about the unique adaptations they have that help them survive.

High School-level Boy Scout Programs

Reptile & Amphibian Study

Search around the Zoo to find reptiles and amphibians from all over the world! Meet some of these animals up-close while sketching characteristics used to identify each species. Learn how to identify frogs by the calls they make. Compare reptiles and amphibians and learn about their importance in nature.

For more information or to book a program, please email us at education@racinezoo.org or call (262) 636-9580. All Boy Scout programs are \$15 per Scout and include admission to the zoo.

Badges are not included in pricing may be purchased through Boy Scouts of America.