



Onsite Educational Animal Programs

Preschool-Kindergarten Programs

Animal Tales

Zoo story time with a twist! During this exciting animal program, students will enjoy an animal themed story and then meet some related animal visitors as they explore animal body parts.

Swamp Symphony

Learn all about wetlands and the animals that live in them! Students will learn about the variety of animals that play a role in the wetland by acting out a musical evening in the swamp and getting up close and personal with some wetland critters!

1st-2nd Grade Programs

Animals of the World

During this animal encounter, students will get up close and personal with different kinds of animals from all over the world! Learn about where the animals live and what allows them to thrive, and sing a song about the different animals.

Standards Met: Science A.4.1, B.4.6, C.4.1, C.4.2

Wild Wisconsin

Discover some of the wild animals that live right here in Wisconsin. Learn about animals that live in our own backyard, and how students can act to help conserve their homes. Students will learn about wildlife in their backyard and simple things they can do to help.

Standards Met: Environmental Education A.4.1; B.4.6, B.4.8; B.4.10; Science A.4.1

On the Farm

Farms and farm animals are very important in the state of Wisconsin! Learn about pigs, ducks, goats, and other barnyard animals, and why they are important.

Standards Met: Science A.4.1, A.4.5, C.4.1, C.4.2

African Safari

Gigantic giraffes, rambling rhinos, and zany zebras! Explore some of the largest animals of the African savannah and learn about animal adaptations to living in hot and dry climates.

Standards Met: Science A.4.1, A.4.5, C.4.1, C.4.2

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3rd-5th Grade Programs

Animals of the World

During this animal encounter, students will get up close and personal with different kinds of animals from all over the world! Learn about where the animals live and what allows them to thrive in their different habitats, and act out different adaptations with the animals!

Standards Met: Science A.4.1, B.4.6, C.4.1, C.4.2

Wild Wisconsin

Discover some of the wild animals that live right here in Wisconsin – meet and greet animals that live in our own backyard! Learn the definition of a habitat and what an animal needs, and how our animals meet those needs in the wild. Students will also explore ways they can help animals in the wild.

Standards Met: Environmental Education A.4.1, B.4.6, B.4.8; B.4.10; Science A.4.1, F.4.1

Rambunctious Reptiles

What makes an animal a reptile? What do all reptiles have in common? These topics and many more will be explored as children meet and greet several of the Racine Zoo's reptiles.

Standards Met: Environmental Education A.4.2, B.4.6; Science A.4.1

Circle of Life

Learn about how energy is transferred in an ecosystem, starting with the sun and working up to the largest carnivores. Students will get to act out the different parts of a food chain and meet some animals in the food chain up close!

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.4.1, B.4.2, B.4.6; Science A.4.1, A.4.2, A.4.4

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Middle School Programs

Food Webs

From the tiniest insects to the largest carnivores, the lives of all animals in an ecosystem are linked. Explore how animals are connected by discussing the role of everything from small prey animals to large carnivores, and play a game to see how interconnected a food web can be!

Standards Met: Environmental Education A.8.3, B.8.1, B.8.3, B.8.8; Science F.8.8

Animals of the World

During this animal encounter, students will get up close and personal with different kinds of animals from all over the world! Observe animal adaptations to try to solve the mystery of where they are from! Students will discuss physical vs. behavioral adaptations and use critical thinking to decide where they live.

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.8.8; Science F.8.7, F.8.8

Wild Wisconsin

Discover some of the wild animals that live right here in Wisconsin. Learn about animals that live in our own backyard, and students can act to help conserve their homes. Students will learn what they can do to help conserve and protect Lake Michigan as well as the animals and their habitats that call Wisconsin home. Students will also explore various animal adaptations and conservation issues.

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.8.6, B.8.8, B.8.15, B.8.16; B.8.17, B.8.18; Science F.8.7, F.8.8

Invertebrate Investigation

Discover the world of invertebrates. Students will explore insects, arachnids, and other “creepy crawlies” to investigate how these animals differ from all others, and each other. Learn basic terrestrial invertebrate taxonomy and what makes these critters so mysterious.

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.8.3; Science F.8.2, F.8.7

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High School Programs

Animals of the World

During this animal encounter, students will get up close and personal with different kinds of animals from all over the world! Discuss adaptations each animal has, and how they evolved to survive in various ecosystems. Students will meet related animals and learn how similar body parts have adapted to meet different needs.

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.12.7; Science F.12.5, F.12.6, F.12.7

Wild Wisconsin

Discover some of the wild animals that live right here in Wisconsin. Meet animals that live in our own backyard, and how students can act to help conserve their homes. Students will learn about the ecosystem services provided by Lake Michigan and explore the complex social issues behind them.

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.12.7, B.12.12, C.12.1

Careers at the Zoo

Ever wonder how you can become an animal care specialist or a veterinarian? This program offers insight into all of the hard work that goes into working in a zoo. Students will learn what a typical day is like for an animal care specialist. They will also see a brief training session with an animal.

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.12.7; Science G.12.1, G.12.4

Ecosystem Explorers

This program focuses on a specific ecosystem and how the ecosystem is important not only to the plants and animals that live there, but to people as well. Students will explore a challenge to that ecosystem and discuss ways to resolve problems. The program will end with students meeting animals from the ecosystem discussed.

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.12.1, B.12.2, B.12.7, B.12.10, B.12.12, C.12.1; Science F.12.10, F.12.11,

Suitcase for Survival

Learn how the international wildlife trade impacts biodiversity around the world. Young people will examine animal products confiscated from people who broke laws that protect animals. They will also learn how to protect wildlife around the globe by becoming wise consumers. This program is filled with live animals and animal artifacts.

Standards Met: Environmental Education B.12.7, B.12.8, Science G.12.5

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Other Program Options

Build Your Own Program

Conservation Education staff are ready and willing to help build a program to suit your needs. Please note that a three-week minimum is needed for this option. We will work with you to develop a program for your group's specific needs. Depending on the program built, live animals and animal artifacts may be used. Additional fees may apply to the regular animal program cost.

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