



Zoo Snooze Fact Sheet

- WHO?** All animal enthusiasts seeking fun and excitement - ages six through adult!
A maximum of 50 people, including adults (smaller groups will be combined with other groups).
A minimum of 20 participants is required to run an overnight program.
- WHAT?** An exciting evening of learning about wildlife in the zoo while spending the night in the Conservation Hall of the Conservation Discovery Center! Many topics are available that can help scouts earn a badge.
- WHERE?** Binder Park Zoo's Conservation Discovery Center - Snuggle up at bedtime in a climate controlled building with carpeted floors and adjacent bathrooms.
- WHEN?** Most Fridays and Saturdays, April – October **[Click here to view open dates!](#)**
Check in time is 5:45 pm and program ends at 10:15 am the following morning (11:15 am on Sundays).
This is a LOCK-IN! Sorry, no late arrivals or early departures.
- WHY?** Discover: What happens after all of the people leave the zoo? Which animals are still awake? Which ones are just waking up? Play exciting and interactive games and learn why conservation is important. Find out how zoos are working together to ensure the survival of endangered species. All this fun and excitement, while earning a badge! Choose from one of the following programs topics:
Ages: 7-9
- ❖ **Eco Explorer:** This overnight introduces kids ages 7-9 to the exciting world of plants and animals! Brownies will work toward their "Eco Explorer Try-It" Badge!
 - ❖ **Shrinking Planet:** Some of our most interesting and popular animals are disappearing at a fast rate. At this overnight learn what makes these animals so special and how you can help save them. Brownies will work toward their "Animal Try-It" Badge!
 - ❖ **So You Want To Be A Naturalist?** Get down and dirty while becoming a naturalist at this overnight. You will explore our swamp adventure and sketch your own field guide before you leave for home. Bear Cub Scouts will work toward their "Sharing Your World with Wildlife" Achievement. Leaders may choose to bring the whole pack!
- Ages: 10-12**
- ❖ **Plants and Animals:** Explore the world of both plants and animals at this overnight! Junior Girl Scouts will work toward their "Plants and Animals" Badge!
 - ❖ **Wildlife Adventure:** Many of our favorite animals are becoming endangered, some have already become extinct. Through games and activities, learn about wildlife and what you can do to save them from disappearing. Junior Girl Scouts will work toward their "Wildlife" Badge!
 - ❖ **So You Want To Be A Naturalist?** Get down and dirty while becoming a naturalist at this overnight. You will explore our Swamp Adventure and sketch your own field guide before you leave for home. Webelo Scouts will work toward their "Naturalist" Badge. Leaders may choose to bring the whole pack!
- HOW MUCH?** **\$35 per person!**
This includes:
- * Two-day admission to the zoo before and/or after your Snooze!
 - * Pizza dinner, late-night snack, and continental breakfast
 - * A zoo T-shirt (children only)
 - * A Zoo Snooze souvenir patch (children only)
 - * A souvenir cup (for all attending)
 - * Train Ride (for all attending)
- Deluxe Package** - The Deluxe Package provides additional opportunities to enjoy the zoo before or after your overnight. For \$7.50 per person, each participant will receive an extra Binder Park Zoo patch and two tokens. Tokens can be used to: feed the giraffe at Twiga Overlook in Wild Africa, Ride the Z.O.&O. Railroad, Ride the Binda Conservation Carousel

Registrations are accepted as form and payment are received, provided there is an opening.

Please refer to the enclosed registration materials for more information.



What Will Happen on Your Zoo Snooze?

Binder Park Zoo's Zoo Snooze takes you on an after-hours adventure full of fun and games where learning is exciting!!!

- ✓ Your guide will greet you in the parking lot outside the Delivery Gate at 5:45pm, and lead your group in transporting your belongings to our Conservation Hall.
- ✓ After a 15-minute briefing, an icebreaker activity, and a scrumptious pizza dinner, you will start your outdoor adventures with fun-filled games and activities until the sun goes down.
- ✓ With the onset of night, your guide will lead you inside for more activities. Here you will meet animals face to face and decorate your own zoo T-shirt.
- ✓ No Zoo Snooze could be complete without a nighttime adventure on our night hike through the Swamp Adventure. See and hear what types of animals lurk in the darkness. Hey kids - no flashlights allowed on this nighttime activity!
- ✓ Rise and Shine! Your guide will first help you load your belongings in your vehicles and then it's on to breakfast. The fun doesn't stop here! You will have the opportunity to be the first guests that day to see the animals out on exhibit.
- ✓ Our last activity will be a 10-minute train ride on the Z.O. & O Railroad through Michigan's forests with your Zoo Snooze ending at approximately 10:15 am (11:15 am on Sundays). You are welcome to stay as long as you like and visit the rest of the zoo. Souvenir patches will be handed out signifying that you have successfully completed our Zoo Snooze program.
- ✓ Each Zoo Snooze has a specific topic targeted at a certain age group. There are many topics to choose from! Although any group and age level may attend any of our overnights, keep in mind that we are targeting specific age ranges and topics.
- ✓ Dinner, a snack, and breakfast will be served at Beulah's Restaurant, conveniently located in the center of the zoo.
- ✓ You can come early and enjoy the zoo, stay after your overnight, or both! It's all included in your program fee. What a deal!