



# Zoo Teen Volunteer Application

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Application must be received by May 6, 2011 to be considered for the program.

Binder Park Zoo offers two Zoo Teen Programs each of which strive to provide our Zoo Teen's with a fun, educational and worthwhile summer experience at our zoo. Zoo Teens are required to volunteer a minimum number of hours between June and October 2011. There will be a mandatory orientation for all Zoo Teen volunteers on Saturday June 4, 2011 at 10:00am.

## JUNIOR ZOO KEEPER PROGRAM:

Teens that opt for this program will work with our Animal Care Staff and will learn about basic animal husbandry (feeding and cleaning), care and well being of our zoo animals. Teens must be willing to work inside and outside, rain or shine and be willing to get dirty.

## JUNIOR ZOO EDUCATORS PROGRAM:

Teens that opt for this program will work with our Education Staff helping out with camps, birthday parties, overnights, bio-fact stations and Critter Encounters. Teens need to feel comfortable around children and talking to the public.

Please indicate which program you are applying for. Each program will accept 30 teens.

\_\_\_ Junior Zoo Keeper (\$75 program fee; 50 hours required)

\_\_\_ Junior Zoo Educator (\$50 program fee; 40 hours required)

*\*Scholarships are available based on need; please call for more information\**

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### Application Check List

- Application complete
- Essay questions complete
- Copy of current Tuberculin Skin Test (must be negative and administered within the last year to work with animals)
- Copy of current Tetanus (must be within the last 5 years to work with animals)
- Two letters of recommendation from adults that are not related to you.

***Only completed application forms with the above check list completed will be considered.***

Please complete the following application in full and return it with two letters of recommendation, a copy of current Tuberculin Skin Test, and a copy of current Tetanus to:  
Zoo Teen Program 7400 Division Drive Battle Creek MI 49014. By May 6, 2011

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E- mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Age by June 1, 2011: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Entering Fall of 2011: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt size (**adult**): \_\_\_\_\_

Name you would like to appear on your name tag: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle whether you agree or disagree with the following statements. There are no right or wrong answers!

I care about animals.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I want to learn about animals.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I want to work with animals.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I want to be around animals.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I don't mind getting dirty when I volunteer.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
My friends would say that I am not afraid to strike up a conversation with someone I just met.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I enjoy teaching and sharing information	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I enjoy performing in front of people	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I would do something that would benefit animals even though I may not work directly with them.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I want to volunteer in the outdoors.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
My friends would say I am artistic.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I enjoy tinkering with and fixing things.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
My teachers would say that I have an observant and scientific mind.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I am willing to try new things at least once.	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree

