



Chicago Zoological Society

Inspiring Conservation Leadership

Looking for ways to connect with wildlife and nature in 2017? Check out these opportunities at Brookfield Zoo and in the community

Check out a Zoo Pass through your local Library

Brookfield Zoo provides 52 free days a year, including every Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday from January 3 – February 28, 2017. You can enter the zoo for free any day of the year by checking out a Brookfield zoo pass at your local library through the Museum Adventure Pass program.

For more information on these programs, visit www.czs.org or call the Chicago Zoological Society at (708) 688-8400

Zoo Adventure Passport Program

ZAP is a free, 1½-hour program for families with children ages 3-12 that connects urban families with wildlife and nature. Sessions focus on topics including “Desert Animals,” “Ocean Animal Adventures,” “Primates, Monkeys, and Simians,” etc. Each session, families receive a passport stamp – families that attend 3 or more sessions are eligible for a free visit to Brookfield zoo and other nature-related field trips (free bus transportation included).

Dates: February – June, 2017

Locations:

- West Belmont Chicago Public Library
- Cicero Public Library
- Rudy Lozano Chicago Public Library
- Melrose Park Public Library

Conservation Science Explorers Program

The free Explorers program offers three eight-week nature-themed sessions per year for middle school students (6th-8th grade). Sessions include hands-on science experiments, outdoor observations, animal experiences, and journaling, plus a field trip to Brookfield Zoo or other local nature site. For details on 2017 program dates and participating libraries, contact the Chicago Zoological Society at (708) 688-8400.

King Conservation Science Scholars Program



The Scholars Program is an engaging way for teens to learn more about animals and conservation, network with others, and make a difference in their communities while preparing for college and future careers. Participants complete 120 volunteer hours through interpretation, research opportunities, community action projects, and participation in interactive workshops focused on conservation education, science, and college/career readiness.

Requirements: Students entering grades 9-11 are eligible to apply
Application Deadline: Deadline for Summer Term (beginning in May) is April 28, 2017

College Experiential Learning Opportunities Internship Program

The CELO Internship Program was one of the first in the nation to allow students pursuing careers in animal care the opportunity to work side by side with professional zookeepers. The program has developed to include internships and research opportunities in a variety of areas, including animal care, early childhood education, environmental quality assessment, library services, and others.

Requirements: Completion of one year of college or equivalent; Overall GPA of 2.2 (out of 4.0)
Application Deadline: Deadline for the Summer Term (May-August) is February 18, 2017

Brookfield Zoo Community Programs

Zoo Adventure Passport

-  Cicero Public Library
-  Lozano Public Library
-  Melrose Park Public Library
-  West Belmont Public Library

Conservation Science Explorers (2016)

-  South Shore Public Library
-  Greater Grand Crossing Lib.
-  West Belmont Public Library
-  Lozano Public Library

Brookfield Zoo

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