Meet live animals up close!

Interact with unique artifacts!

Fun & Exciting Programs for all ages!

Scheduling Information

When can I schedule a program?
All programs must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance. Please contact us early, we book quickly.

How do I schedule a program?
Please contact the education department by calling 610.277.3825 x235 or emailing education@elmwoodparkzoo.org

What is your payment policy?
Payment is due at least two weeks prior to your scheduled visit or our visit with your organization. Zoo membership discounts and rates do not apply to group program fees.

Additional Information
Programs are held rain or shine, with the exception of cases of extreme weather. Rescheduling is welcome; please call 610.277.3825 x235 or x236 by 9:00 am on the day of your program.

Elmwood Park Zoo understands the importance of teaching individuals about wildlife and environmental conservation. The goal of our programs is to empower guests with skills, knowledge and resources necessary to ensure that their lives are environmentally healthy. Our programs offer unique learning opportunities by using live animals in the classroom.

Stay Connected

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ON-SITE GROUP PROGRAMS

PRESCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE

Our interactive 20 minute programs engage young learners with interesting touchable animal biofacts, such as fur, feathers, shells and skulls. Our group programs also include live animals that can be viewed up close.

**Animal Adaptations**
Webbed feet, wings, camouflage and quills—students will discover a number of different animal adaptations and learn how they help them to survive in an ever-changing world.

**Sensational Animals**
Students will take an in-depth look at our five senses and explore the differences and similarities with how they’re used in the animal kingdom.

**Sorting Species**
Students will explore the characteristics of different vertebrates such as birds, mammals, and reptiles and learn that animals can be classified into different groups based on their features.

SECOND GRADE AND UP

Our 20 minute programs are designed to help teachers meet Pennsylvania Academic Standards for environmental and natural science in their curriculum.

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**On the Brink**
Students will explore different threats, such as habitat loss, pollution and climate change, facing many animals both locally and abroad, and learn what they can do to help.

**Whose Habitat is That?**
Students will learn about the four components of a habitat, and explore differences between a variety of animal homes.

SPECIAL NEEDS

**Habitat Explorations**
Let us engage your special needs students with a program specifically designed to encourage sensory and tactile learning for all ages and ability levels. Our program uses a multi-sensory approach to inspire students to appreciate animals of all shapes and sizes! Students will meet live animals up close and experience the smells and sounds of those animals' habitats. This tactile program allows for learners to engage in exploring the natural world to better connect with animals.

ZOO-ON-WHEELS

We’ll hit the road and bring the zoo to your school, library, church, club or senior center with our traveling Zoo-On-Wheels! We’re packing some of our favorite animal friends and unique biofacts to bring your group an experience they won’t soon forget.*Please note: we do not go into any residential homes.

PRESCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE

30 minute program with three live animals
Please refer to the group programs for program choices.

SECOND GRADE AND UP

50 minute program with live animals and biofacts
Our programs are designed to aid teachers in meeting Pennsylvania Academic Standards for environmental and natural science in their curriculum. Please refer to group programs for choices. Great for clubs, libraries and assisted living facilities.

FAIRS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Live animals and table display
Available with or without a 30 minute program
The zoo provides a fun and educational addition to any fair or event. We will provide live animals and a display table with furs, feathers, shells and skulls for guests to touch and explore. You also have an option to include a 30 minute program featuring live animals. Please note: our animals cannot be near or mixed with non-zoo animals. We do not attend festivals where pets are welcome.