

Zoorific Opportunities for Girl Scouts At Your Erie Zoo in 2019-2020

Call the Erie Zoo Education Department at 814-864-4091 ext. 247 or email kbowes@eriezoo.org to schedule to schedule your program **at least** two weeks in advance.

Programs may be scheduled weekdays or weekends between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm for groups of 25 or fewer. Programs may be scheduled year-round. A minimum program fee based on 10 participants will be charged and must be paid prior to your program.

The troop leader is responsible for purchasing any badges their troop earns from the Girl Scout Council Office.

Staying beyond your program time?

Make a day of it by including group rate zoo admission for only \$7.00 per adult (ages 13 & older) and \$5.00 per child (ages 2 -12).
Erie Zoo Members are admitted to the zoo free.

Daisy through Ambassador Programs: General Information

Daisy Girl Scouts

Looking for a fun, age appropriate program for your troop of Daisies? The Erie Zoo has **1-hour programs** to engage your girls in active learning. These programs could help you earn Zinni's and Rosie's petals and may also cover part of the Daisy Journeys.



Program Fee: \$6.00 per child \$60 minimum fee.

(Siblings who participate must pay; adults are not charged for the program.)



Animal Coverings: Meet a mammal, bird, reptile, amphibian and invertebrate up-close. Learn about the special coverings they have and make a special animal coverings craft to take home.

Animal Enrichment: How do the zoo keepers keep the animals happy and active? Find out in this program and participate by making an enrichment for a zoo animal and watch them get their surprise! You will also meet some of our small classroom animals and get to see them enjoy playing with their "toys" (enrichment).



Zoo Moves: Learn to move like the animals move as we observe animals in motion, meet animals up-close and move to some "wild" rhythms. Craft a moveable animal project to take home.



Brownie Programs

Looking for a different way to earn some badges? Need some expert assistance with animal and nature related badges or just want to add a “wild” twist to your Brownie program? The Erie Zoo offers four Brownie programs. Each of these programs requires **2 hours** to complete. All of the requirements of the badge will be met as well as providing the girls with exciting hands-on contact with topic-related education animals.

Program Fee: \$8.00 per child \$80 minimum fee.

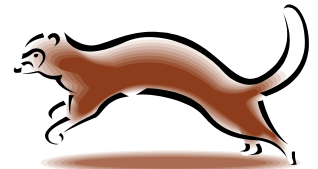
(Siblings who participate must pay; adults are not charged for the program.)

“Home Scientist” Badge: Participate in some incredible experiments and see how they relate to our very own zoo animals! You will be a master scientist after participating in this class!



“Painting” Badge: Get inspired to create some fabulous art projects and see how the small zoo animals create art themselves! You even get to take home a small part of that masterpiece. Get ready ...get set...paint!

“Pets” Badge: Meet some small animals and identify what makes a good pet and why. Create a “toad abode”, play games, and learn what your pets need to feel safe and comfortable. Also, discover the ways the Erie Zoo helps their wild and domestic animals stay happy and healthy.



“Senses” Badge: Learn awesome facts about animal senses. Meet some animals that have heightened senses of hearing, sight, touch and taste! Participate in a scavenger hunt, test your sense of smell and make an awesome texture book to take home.

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Junior Badge Programs

These programs require a minimum of **2 ½ hours** to complete and may require leader follow-up activities at a troop meeting after the zoo visit. Every program involves animal visitors.



Program Fee: \$9.00 per child \$90 minimum fee.

(Siblings who participate must pay; adults are not charged for the program.)

“Animal Habitats”- Explore and meet endangered animals and learn why they have become threatened. Find out about animal homes and make a “house” for a wild animal to take home with you. Using our building supplies, create a “habitat” for a zoo animal! Try your hand at cleaning up after an “oil spill”.



“Detective Badge”- Practice your powers of observation with a really “cool” video clip. Investigate skulls, scat and animal tracks too. Go on a scavenger hunt and meet live animals while practicing to be a Jr. Detective.

“Flowers Badge”- Have fun with plants! In this class, we will paint flower pots, plant seeds, meet animals that eat plants, plants that eat animals, visit the greenhouse, and much, much more.



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Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Interest Project Programs

Interested in Career Exploration? 1 hour long Zoo Career tour/talks are available at a flat group rate of \$50.00 for up to 30 participants. Add a “behind the scenes- animal” tour component to the career talk for an additional \$75 for groups of 15 people and smaller. Add an additional \$75 for each additional 15 people. Make a day of it by adding on group admission of only \$7.00 per adult (ages 13 & older) and \$5.00 per child (ages 2 – 12). Erie Zoo Members receive free admission to the zoo.

Volunteer Opportunities for Troops and Individuals: We have a variety of volunteer opportunities that could assist with fulfillment of a wide range of Interest Project requirements.

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Cadettes and Seniors-



**Are You Looking for Something Wild as a Service Project
Or
Are You Interested in a Wildlife Related Career?**

Then you belong in the Zoo!

Talk with your troop and leaders to determine your career interests.
Call the Erie Zoo Education Department at (814) 864-4091 ext. 247 for information on our many opportunities for individual teens or for scout troops.

Special Event Volunteer Opportunities

ZooBoo (Must be 14 years old)

We have craft tables, treat booths, concessions and more available for you to experience.
Training is held in Sept., and early Oct. You must be 14 or older.

EdZooCrew Teen Volunteers

Help with camps, classes and special events in the summer! Assist with activities such as face painting and crafts or help in Children’s Zoo contact yards.
Training is held in the spring. You must be at least 14 years old.

Shadowing Opportunities

For individuals seriously considering a career in the following fields,
limited Shadowing Opportunities are available in:

Animal Care

Education

(You must be between 8th and 12th grade)





Self-Guided Scout Programs



Are you looking for something to do at the Erie Zoo with your Scout Troop? We now offer a self-guided tour of the zoo with the option of a classroom presentation. For Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, we also offer specific badge programs.

Option 1:

You will set off on an adventure that reaches all areas of the zoo as you search for answers while completing this **self-guided** scavenger hunt. The cost is \$4.00 per Scout for the Self-Guided Packets. Each packet will include a folder, pencil, scavenger hunt, answer key and the Erie Zoo Fun Patch (shown above) for each person registered. Accompanying adults who wish to purchase a patch, can do so for \$2.00. Zoo admission at the group rate is required also. A one lump sum payment of \$7 for persons (13 and up) and \$5.00 per person (ages 2-12) must be paid in advance or at the gate as long as you registered your group first.

Add On:

Animal presentation in the Erie Zoo classroom (3 animals to learn about their adaptations)
\$40 for one-half hour (30-35 people can attend)

Option 2:

Choose one of our Specific Badge Programs listed on the following pages by age level and program. Requirements will be met for the badges, but the leader must purchase them. If you are coming for the program only, admission to the zoo is not required.

Registration:

All self-guided tours , classroom presentations, and badge programs must be pre-arranged by calling the Education Department at (814) 864-4091 x 247 or emailing kbowes@eriezoo.org