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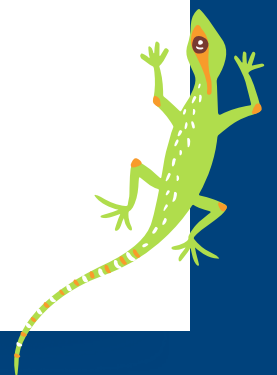
School/Group Advanced Tickets

The Erie Zoo offers School and Group rates. Reservations should be made at least 2 weeks in advance to receive the Advanced Ticket rates. Payment ahead of time is preferred; but not required.

Please contact the Erie Zoo with questions.

**More
Information:**

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School and Group Advanced Tickets Information



- **School Field Trip Form**
 - Groups of 15 paying people or more
 - Special needs classrooms: See Zoo Inclusion form
 - Licensed Pre-K-12 schools and colleges
 - During the months of September-June
- **Group Trip/Advanced Ticket Form**
 - Great for church groups, scouts, businesses, daycares, summer camps, etc.
 - Groups of 15 paying people or more
 - Visiting during March-November
 - Can visit on a specific date or can receive tickets for anytime during the current zoo season
- **Zoo Inclusion Ticket Form Requirements**
 - Great for organizations for clients with special needs, therapeutic organizations or group homes and special needs classrooms
 - Must purchase a minimum of 10 tickets
 - Visiting during March-November
 - Can visit on a specific date or can receive tickets good for anytime during the current zoo season

Reservations should be made at least 2 weeks in advance to receive the Advanced Ticket rates. Payment ahead of time is preferred: but not required.

Groups will have a quick and smooth entrance at the gate (Education Entrance- tiger striped door) on the day of your arrival.

Groups visiting on specific dates will receive wristbands for entry on the day of your visit.

Train is not guaranteed to run before May or after Labor Day

Please be specific with arrival time: We stand and wait to check you in.

Please call if you need to cancel or reschedule.

Please return the completed form to the contact information below:

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School Field Trip Form-2025/2026

Please email to kbowes@eriezoo.org to register

Date of Visit: _____ Rain Date: _____ Arrival Time: _____ Departure Time: _____

Contact Person's Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____ Grade Level _____

Organization Name: _____

Organization Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Admission Tickets

Adults (ages 13 and up) \$7 x _____ = _____

Children (ages 2-12) \$7 x _____ = _____

Free Adult (1 per 15 children that you pay for)

\$0 x _____ = _____

School Nurse /Medically necessary Aides:

\$3x _____ = _____

Bus Drivers

\$0 x _____ = _____

Total Admission Fees _____ +

Ride fees: _____ +

Education fees: _____ +

Add-ons/Souvenirs: _____ =

GRAND TOTAL FEES: _____

Rides (May through August or Weather Permitting)

Train \$4 x _____ = _____

Carousel \$4 x _____ = _____

Total Ride Fees: _____

School Field Trip Form Requirements

- Groups of 15 people paying people or more
- Special Needs Classroom: See Inclusion Form
- Licensed Pre-K-12 schools and colleges
- During the months of September- June

Payment

☐ Check # _____

Card # _____

☐ Credit Card

Expiration Date: _____

☐ Discover

3-digit code: _____

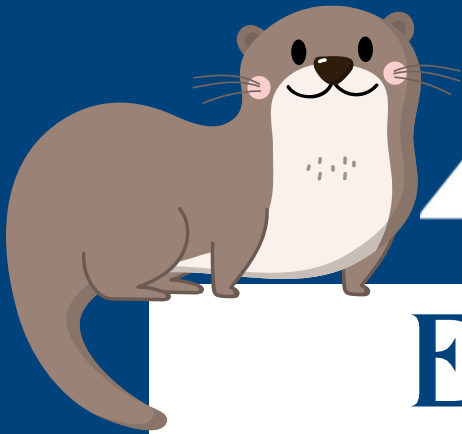
☐ Visa

☐ Chip Card (check if yes)

☐ Master Card

Name of person approving charge: _____

☐ American Express



Erie Zoo

Educational Opportunities for Schools and Groups

The Erie Zoo offers programming
for all ages. Your students can
participate in person on zoo
grounds or remotely .



Please contact the Education
Department with questions and to
register your program.

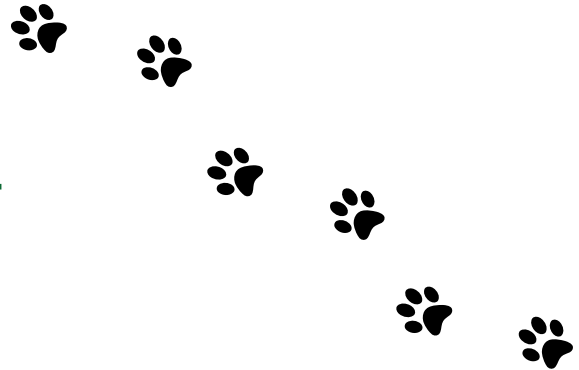
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At the Erie Zoo

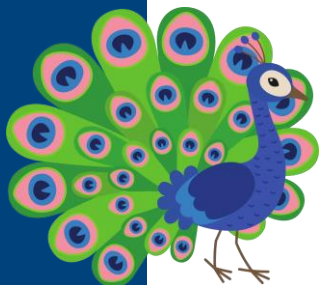
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Pen Pals

- 5 consecutive months of letters from Pen Pal
- Classes can write return letters to their animals.
- Learn about habitat, adaptations, enrichments, animal behaviors and conservation concerns and solutions for your pen pal
- Letters are written from the animal's point of view by a staff member

Pricing:

\$30 for email package

\$40 for mailed package

Animals you can choose from:

- Rhino
- Alligator
- Orangutan
- Penguin
- Red Panda
- Siamang Gibbon
- Canadian Lynx
- Lion
- Otter
- Kangaroo & Wallaby
- Alpaca
- African Painted Dog
- Monkey Troop (Colobus, Spot-nosed, Allen's swamp)
- Sand Cat
- Snake
- Axolotl



Preschool Version (ages 2-5)

Mailed only: \$40

- Otter
- Penguin
- Red Panda
- Lion
- Orangutan

Programs at your Facility

Traveling Zoo

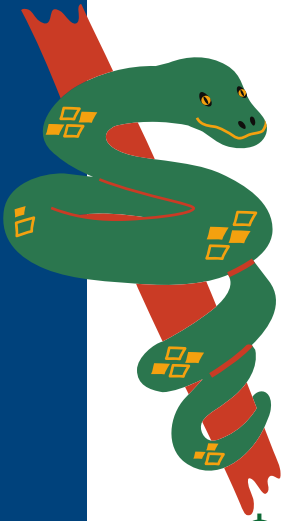
Let the Erie Zoo come to you.

- The Traveling Zoo allows students to get up close to some incredible animals and provides hands-on learning that brings lessons to life.
- We have multiple programs to choose from for students of all ages. Each of our programs aligns with state standards and engages children with the world around them.
- We believe that reconnecting with nature and wildlife is more important than ever before.
- We invite you to schedule a visit from the Traveling Zoo and give your students a memorable, interactive experience that will enhance their learning in a unique and fun way. The traveling zoo is in operation year-round.

Please email kbowes@eriezoo.org for details on pricing and program topics or call (814) 864-4091 x 1127

We will email the program request form to you.





Classroom Programs

- 30 minutes in length
- We have some selected topics; but we can cater the theme to almost anything.

Pricing:

30 people or less

\$50 for a 30-minute program

\$40 per additional group on the same day

\$60 for a 1-hour long program

30-50 people

\$70 for a 30-minute program

\$50 per additional group on the same day

Recommended topics include:

- Animal Adaptations
- Animal Coverings
- Endangered Species
- Zoo Careers





Educational Tours

Walking tours are **not available** during Spring Program time in late April through mid June.

- 30- 60 minutes in length
- Walking tour of zoo grounds with a guide
- Best suited for school-aged children and older

Pricing:

30 people or less

\$50 for a 30-minute tour

\$70 for a 60-minute tour

\$45/\$65 per additional group on the same day

Recommended topics include:

- Animal Adaptations
- Animal Coverings
- Endangered Species
- Zoo Careers



Animal Connections: Behind the Scenes Tours

- **Rhino**
 - Available times
 - 11:30am or 1pm
- **Penguin**
 - Available times
 - 10:30am or 2pm
- **Otter**
 - Available times 11:30-1:30
- **Warthog**
 - Any times
- **Red Panda**
 - Available times: 10:15 am



Tours last up to 30 minutes.
Photography is restricted in certain areas.
Please follow the direction of your tour guide.

Availability is Limited

Tours can be adjusted for a larger group; but the experience and fees will change. if possible, we can request a different time frame.

Prices

\$200 for 1 tour with 10 people or less

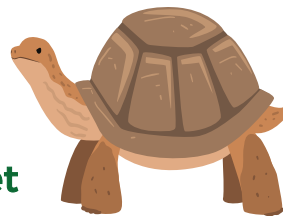
\$100 for each

Additional 10 people



Animal Connections Encounters:

- **Animal Training Session at the exhibit: Limited in bad weather**
 - Otter
 - Leopard
 - Lion
 - Painted Dog
- Colobus, Allen's Swamp and Spot-Nose monkeys
 - Available times: 10 am or 3:30 pm
- **Animal Feeding Experience:**
 - Tortoise
 - Porcupine
- **Ambassador Animal Meet and Greet**
 - Small animals not on Exhibit



Prices:

\$100 for each Training or Feeding Demo
\$30 for each Ambassador Animal Meet and Greet
(15 minutes) or meet two animals for \$50 for 30
minutes

Scavenger Hunt

Scavenger Hunt Kit includes:

- Folder
- Pencil
- Hunt
- Answer Key
- Erie Zoo Fun Patch



Topics Include

- Endangered Species (6th-adults)
- Animal Adaptations (all ages)
- Animal Coverings (pre-k-2)

This is a self guided option that you can do at your own leisure while at the zoo.

Prices:

\$6 per Scavenger Hunt Kit
Extra patches \$3

***Must be pre-ordered; not available at the door.**



Educational Opportunities- Scheduling Information

- **Educational opportunities have some limitations**
 - Animal Connections: Behind the Scenes Tours and Animal Encounters have a limited amount available both daily and weekly. If you are interested in one of these opportunities, please register well in advance.
 - The Erie Zoo has 3 classrooms and a few outdoor education areas that we use and concurrent classes can be scheduled based on staffing availability.
- **The program request form is not your official approval.**
 - Once received, the Education Department will review the request, reach out with any questions and then send an official confirmation.
- **Educational programs change every year even though the topics remain the same.**
 - Programs are adapted for each individual group's knowledge, skills and abilities.
 - Please let us know if your group would like us to cover something more in-depth during your program
 - Programs can be made to fit your groups requests.

Please return the completed Educational Programming Request form to the Education Department contact information below:

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Education Program Coordinator
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Educational Programming Request Form

Date of Visit: _____ Rain Date: _____ Arrival Time: _____ Departure Time: _____

Contact Person's Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____ Grade Level: _____

Organization Name: _____ Organization Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Time Requested: _____ Number of Students: _____ Number of Teachers: _____

Please note that programs are not guaranteed until a confirmation has been sent to you with details.

Classroom Program

- ☐ \$50 (less than 30 people) 30-minute program
- ☐ \$40 additional groups
- ☐ \$70 (30-50 people) 30-minute program
- ☐ \$50 additional groups
- ☐ \$60 (30 people or less) 1 – hour program
- ☐ Topic Chosen: _____

Animal Connections: Behind The Scenes

- ☐ \$200- Tour with 10 people or less
- ☐ \$100- each additional 10 people
- ☐ Animal Requested: _____

Animal Connections: Encounters

- ☐ \$100- Training or Feeding Demo
 - ☐ Animal Requested: _____
- ☐ \$30- Ambassador Animal Meet and Greet
- ☐ \$50- Ambassador Animals Meet and Greet

Pen Pals (5 months of letters)

- ☐ \$30-email package
- ☐ \$40-mailed package

Animal Chosen: _____

Educational Tours ([not available during April through mid-June](#))

- ☐ \$50- 30-minute tour (30 people or less)
- ☐ \$70- 60-minute tour (30 people or less)
- ☐ \$45/\$65 additional tours (30 people or less)
- ☐ Topic Chosen: _____

Scavenger Hunt

- ☐ \$6- Individual Hunt- Number Requested _____
- ☐ \$3- Extra Patches-Number Requested _____
- ☐ Topic Requested: _____

Traveling Zoo

Email kbowes@eriezoo.org for details

Souvenir Request Form

Date of Visit: _____ Rain Date: _____ Arrival Time: _____ Departure Time: _____

Contact Person's Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____ Grade: _____

Organization Name: _____ Organization Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Time Requested: _____ Number of Students: _____ Number of Teachers: _____

2025/2026 Souvenir Magnet

\$2.00 each

Total Needed _____ x \$2.00

