

Grants are selected on a competitive basis. Please answer the following questions carefully. Incomplete applications will not be considered for funding.



How will this project tie in with your lesson plans or organizational goals?

Summarize the purpose of your grant request.

How will this project affect your students?

MY REQUEST:

PART A ZOOMOBILE

In order to provide a better learning experience for your students, we limit each Zoomobile to a maximum of 30 students.

How many students do you want to experience a Zoomobile?

To be completed by Selection Committee
Number of Zoomobiles granted _____

Total cost \$ _____

PART B ON-GROUNDS CLASS

Includes admission into the Zoo after the program
(Reminder: Pre K – 2nd grade not eligible)

How many 3rd – 6th grade students will be participating?

How many 7th – 12th grade students will be participating?

To be completed by Selection Committee
Number of students _____ X \$ _____ Total cost _____

PART C ZOO ADMISSION ONLY

(Reminder: Only non-profit organizations eligible)

1. Explain why Zoo admission would be more beneficial to your group than an educational class.

2. How many of the following will be attending
Children 3-11
Adults 12-64
Seniors 65 & over
Children 2 and under are free

To be completed by Selection Committee
Number of students _____ X \$ _____ Total cost _____

PART D TRANSPORTATION

This will be considered based on funds available, and will be for schools or organizations within a 25-mile radius of the OKC Zoo. Because of variances in bus costs, only \$50 per bus will be considered for funding.

How many busses will bring your students to the Zoo? _____

To be completed by Selection Committee
Number of busses _____ X \$50 Total cost _____



RETURN APPLICATION TO:

Director/Educational Programs
Oklahoma City Zoological Park
2101 NE 50th Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73111
Telephone: (405) 425-0218
FAX: (405) 425-0243

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Amount funded \$ _____

Grant # _____

Comments: _____

Application Revised 3/2007



TAKE NOTE

Winter/Spring deadline
October 1
Summer/Fall deadline
May 1

Apply today!

Education & Enrichment
Oklahoma City Zoological Park

Ed-Zoo-cation Opportunities

The Oklahoma City Zoo offers exciting classes and programs for pre-school through senior high age groups, adult groups and youth organizations, both at the Zoo and in their own classroom.

Three "Zoo-er" opportunities are available:

1. Zoomobile visit to your class or school (available to all grades and non-profit organizations)
2. Classes or programs at the Zoo Education building (available to 3rd through 12th grades only and non-profit organizations)
3. Zoo admission only (available only to non profit organizations)

Because of increased funding requests, teachers may apply for only ONE of the above.

With a Zoomobile, the Zoo comes right to your classroom. Zoo educators will provide a themed program that meets PASS objectives. Students will meet the same live animals and biofacts that they would at the Zoo.

With a class at the Zoo, students will have the same experience as with a Zoomobile, with the added attraction of then being allowed into the Zoo. There they can visit hundreds of endangered animals like the gorilla, cheetah or blue poison dart frog. They can experience exhibits alive with brilliantly colored birds, raucous monkeys, exotic fish, tropical flowers and fascinating reptiles.

Zoo admission is available only for qualifying nonprofit 501 (c) 3 organizations.

ZOO GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR SCHOOLS & ORGANIZATIONS

The Oklahoma Zoological Society (OZS), the Zoo's nonprofit support group, wants to ensure that any person, regardless of ability to pay, is given the opportunity to have an exciting and memorable conservation education experience.

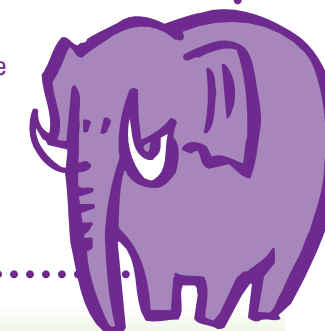
Twice a year, OZS awards grants to schools and organizations to help defray the cost of Oklahoma City Zoo education classes and activities.

Since the inception of Zoo FUND for Kids in 1997, the Oklahoma Zoological Society has awarded more than 1800 grants to 350 schools and 170 organizations. The grants, totaling more than \$890,000 have benefited more than 265,000 participants.



Teresa Randall, Director of Educational Programs
Oklahoma City Zoological Park & Botanical Garden

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Oklahoma Zoological Society

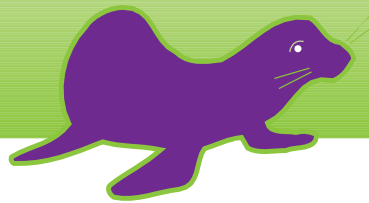




The Oklahoma Zoological Society provides grants to help offset costs for schools and organizations with students and clients who otherwise might not be able to participate in Zoo programs.

PURPOSE

To provide access to Zoo programs so that any person, regardless of socio-economic background, may be exposed to these educational opportunities.



ELIGIBILITY PREFERENCE

- Schools and organizations in the Oklahoma City sales tax area
- Schools with more than 50% of students receiving free or reduced price meals
- Nonprofit social service and civic organization and clubs

REQUIREMENTS

- Only completed applications will be accepted. All information areas must be legible.
- Grant applications will be reviewed on a competitive basis.
- Funding will be determined by availability of funds, socioeconomic status of participants, and how the group will benefit from the project.

RESTRICTIONS

- Transportation (within a 25-mile radius of the Oklahoma City Zoo) will be considered for partial funding
- Food costs cannot be covered
- Zoo Snoozes cannot be covered
- Rides and Shows cannot be covered
- Grants cannot be used with other Zoo specials or promotions

The vision of the OKC Zoo's Education Department is to create dynamic, engaging encounters that give learners the concepts and sense of discovery to influence their compassion for the natural world.

Educational programs may include animal encounters, games, discovery, inquiry, activities and so much more. We have an educational adventure for everyone!

DEADLINES AND AWARDS

Winter/Spring applications due by October 1. Recipients will be notified by November 1. Awards may be used November 2 through May 30.

Summer/Fall applications due by May 1. Recipients will be notified by June 1. Awards may be used June 2 through December 30.

Applications should be sent to:

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2101 NE 50th Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73111
Fax: (405) 425-0243

Note: Funds not used in the appropriate time frame cannot be carried over, held or transferred.

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We have done the work for you.**

**Visit us online at
www.zoofieldtrips.com**

- Having trouble justifying a Zoo program to your principal? All our programs are correlated to PASS objectives.
- Want to turn your Zoo program into an enhanced experience? We have an entire page of downloads.
- Looking for a way to incorporate technology into your Zoo experience? We have 5 online games for your students.

The ZooFUNd for Kids is a program of the Oklahoma Zoological Society, the non-profit support organization for the Oklahoma City Zoological Park and Botanical Garden.

APPLICATION FORM

Winter/Spring deadline
October 1
Summer/Fall deadline
May 1



GRANT APPLICATION

SELECT ONE CATEGORY BELOW:

- Pre-K – 2nd grade (eligible for Zoomobiles ONLY) complete questions and Part A
- 3rd – 12th grade (select ONE option: for Zoomobiles, complete questions and Part A, for On-Grounds class, complete questions and Part B)
- Non-profit Organization (select ONE option: for Zoomobiles, complete questions and Part A; for On-Grounds class, complete questions and Part B; for Zoo admission, complete questions and Part C.) If you are applying as a 501 (c) 3, you must submit a copy of your IRS Determination letter, a list of your Board members, and a copy of your most recent financial statement.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE.

School or group _____ Phone _____ Best number to reach YOU

Office Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

School District or Organization _____

Your Name _____ Position _____

If more than one person from your organization is applying, each must complete a separate application

E-mail address _____

DEMOGRAPHICS:

Your school's information can be obtained online at the "Oklahoma School Report Card" website: www.schoolreportcard.org. Use the upper left box and select "school report cards" from the drop-down menu.

- _____ % European American (Caucasian) _____ % Hispanic American
- _____ % African American _____ % Native American
- _____ % Asian American

Percentage of students receiving free/reduced lunches _____ %

Your Signature _____ Date _____

As Principal or Officer, I support this project and believe it will improve classroom learning.

Principal's or Officer's Signature _____ Date _____

