



Ellen Trout Zoo's Jr. Zookeeper is a competitive program designed to provide students going into the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades an opportunity to explore a career path in as a zookeeper.

This program accepts **ONLY** ten students per session:

Session 1: June 8-12 & 15-19, 2020 8:30 am - 12 noon each weekday

Session 1: July 6-10 & 13-17, 2020 8:30 am - 12 noon each weekday

Participants will be able to pick a preference of two of the four zookeeper sections of the zoo to assist zookeepers. The four animal sections and a few animals in that section are:

<p>Mammals South: Hippos, tapirs, deer, African Aviary, South American aviary, wallaby, emus, African tortoises and the waterfowl pool.</p>	<p>Herps: (reptiles & amphibians dept) all of the small animal building, alligators, Galapagos tortoises, Komodo Dragons, Siamese and Nile crocodiles and large Asian pythons.</p>
<p>Mammals North: big cats, rhinos, giraffes, vet clinic animals, bobcat, bontebok, ground hornbill, and egyptian geese.</p>	<p>Asia/Primates: all primates, parrots, flamingos, sloths, tamarins, otters, tawny frogmouth, king vulture and small bats.</p>

Deadlines and requirements to apply:

Application and teacher recommendation are due **March 13th, 2020** by 5:00pm.

A one-page essay written by the applicant describing they make the best candidate for junior zookeeper including any relevant skills and experience is due **April 3rd, 2020** by 5:00pm.

Applicants with all appropriate materials submitted by the deadlines, will be contacted for an interview on Friday, April 10th or Saturday, April 11th, 2020.

Applications, teacher recommendations, and essays may be hand delivered, mailed, faxed or emailed to Ellen Trout Zoo:

Fax: 936-633-0311

402 Zoo Circle, Lufkin, Texas 75904

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Class fee for this program is \$85.00 for the two weeks and will be due **AFTER** the students are selected.



Junior Zookeeper Application

Students must be 12 years at the start of their session to participate in this program.

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Please do not send fees with the application. They will be due AFTER students are selected.

Student Full Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ Birthdate: _____ Current grade level: _____

School: _____

Circle the session you are interested in:

JUNE 8-12,15-19 OR JULY 8-12,15-19 OR Either session

Animal work section choices: Number 1 - 4 with 1 being first choice.

Please see the information page for details of animals in each section.

_____ Mammals South _____ Herps
_____ Mammals North _____ Asia/Primates

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