Learning is Wild Scholarship Program Application

The Learning is Wild Scholarship is made possible by Battelle and the Cardinal Health Foundation.

Please type or print. This form must be completed and sent to the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium at least three weeks prior to your anticipated visit.

Please complete one application per field trip request date.

School Contact Information

School Name
School Address

City State Zip Code

School District County

School Phone Number Alternate Phone Number

School Fax Number

Contact Person

Contact Email

☐ Please check here if you would like to receive e-mail updates about the Columbus Zoo’s Education programs.
**CHOOSE YOUR FIELD TRIP DATE**

*Please Note: This form does not guarantee a reservation. We must contact you to confirm details.*

**Field trip dates are available August 26th, 2019 – April 30th, 2020 only. We do not provide funding for dates outside of this time frame.**

Desired Date ____________________________

**TELL US ABOUT YOUR GROUP**

Estimated Number of Students Participating in Field Trip ____________

Grade Level(s) _________

Estimated Number of Chaperones _________________

(please include this number in the total count below)

What was the date of your school’s last field trip to the Zoo? ________________

**CALCULATE THE ADMISSION FEE**

Schools RECEIVING THE LEARNING IS WILD SCHOLARSHIP will pay the following admission rates.

Franklin County: $0.75/person
Non-Franklin County: $1.25/person

Total Number of People _____ x Fee Per Person ($0.75/person or $1.25/person) =

**AMOUNT SCHOOL WILL PAY FOR ADMISSION $_______**

| TOTAL SCHOOL ADMISSION FEE $_____________ |
TRANSPORTATION

The Learning is Wild Scholarship will pay a MAXIMUM of $300 towards transportation PER SCHOOL during the 2019-20 school year.

Applicants who receive transportation funds are required to submit proof of payment for their transportation by the designated due date.

Transportation Reimbursement Due Dates:
- Field trips October 1 – December 19 must submit paid invoice by December 20.
- Field trips January 6 - April 30 must submit paid invoice by May 22.

The Zoo will not pay the transportation company directly for bussing. Once the Zoo receives the paid invoice, the Zoo will reimburse the school for the amount listed in the Scholarship Award Agreement or 75% of the submitted invoice (whichever is a lesser amount).

CALCULATE THE TRANSPORTATION FEE

1. Total Number of Buses _____ x Fee Per Bus _____ = TRANSPORTATION FEE $_____

2. We are requesting funding support in the amount of $_____________ for transportation to the Zoo. This amount cannot exceed 75% of the total transportation fees. The Zoo will pay a maximum of $300 toward transportation PER SCHOOL.

Schools are responsible for all transportation fees which are not covered by the Learning is Wild Scholarship.

TRANSPORTATION FEE (STEP 1) _____ - REQUESTED FUNDS (STEP 2) _____ = TOTAL SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION FEE $_____

TOTAL SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION FEE $_____________
Determine Overall Cost to Your School

A. TOTAL SCHOOL ADMISSION FEE (Page 2 of Application) $________

B. TOTAL SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION FEE (Page 3 of Application) = $________

Please add TOTAL on lines A and B to find the OVERALL COST TO YOUR SCHOOL = $________

Statement of Need

You must complete sections A, B and C to be considered for funding.

A. List your school’s Free and Reduced Lunch Percentage _____________________

B. In a separate letter, please detail your school’s need for funding. Be sure to include information, such as participation in government assistance programs (Free and Reduced Lunch Program, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Title 1), your school’s budget, and/or other indicators of financial need.

C. Statement detailing how a Columbus Zoo field trip will be incorporated into the classroom experience to educationally impact the participants.
APPLICANT AGREEMENT

- Schools will be required to provide payment for their portion of this experience when they arrive at the Zoo for their field trip. Recipients must bring the Scholarship Award Agreement with them to the Zoo in order to receive their reduced admission fees.

- Applicants who receive funding for transportation will be required to submit proof of payment for their transportation services. The Zoo will not pay the transportation company directly. Once the paid invoice is received, the Zoo will reimburse the school for the amount listed in the Scholarship Award Agreement or 75% of the submitted invoice (whichever is a lesser amount).

Print Contact Teacher Name

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Signature of Contact Teacher

______________________________ Date _________

Print School Administrator Name

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School Administrator Title

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School Administrator Signature

______________________________ Date _________

Scholarship funding for the Learning is Wild program is made possible through grants and donations. As a good steward, the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium provides all program donors with a final report highlighting outcomes and testimonials from each academic year. Zoo staff may contact scholarship recipients (educators and students) to request feedback as part of this reporting process. Feedback can be used to report on grant outcomes or to promote the scholarship opportunity. Thank you for your cooperation!
PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Email: schoolprograms@columbuszoo.org

By Mail:
The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium
Education Department
9990 Riverside Dr., PO Box 400
Powell, OH 43065

CONFIRMATION
When emailing the application, you will receive an email reply confirming the receipt of the application **within 72 hours**. If your scholarship application is approved, you will receive an award email **within two weeks** of submitting your request to the Learning is Wild Scholarship Program. Please keep this email- it will contain important information about your award total, education program scheduling, and field trip details.

Questions? Email schoolprograms@columbuszoo.org or call Laura Orsini at 614-724-3609.