Scholarship Application Information for ZooCamp Summer 2020

Oakland Zoo is pleased to offer ZooCamp scholarships to support the financial needs of children from families that cannot afford the full tuition. There are a limited number of scholarships available for this program. Scholarship awards provide 40-80% of the standard registration fee for one session (week) of ZooCamp per child. Applications are accepted starting February 19th and will be processed until all available funds are distributed.

Scholarship funds are made available through grants and donations, and scholarships are awarded based upon availability and financial need. Financial need is determined by comparing household income to the HUD Income Limits Documentation System. We also take into account the number of children a family is sending to our program.

In order to provide scholarships to as many families as possible we are going to ask that you use your scholarship in a timely manner. If you are awarded a scholarship, you will have six weeks to use your coupon code before it expires, unless you request an extension.

To apply for a ZooCamp Scholarship, please submit:
- Completed application form (Page 2 and 3 of this document)
- Previous year’s W-2 and/or other proof of support/aid/income for all working adults in household
- Letter from child’s guardian explaining financial need
- Letter from child explaining why they want to attend ZooCamp
  - If your camper is still learning to read and write, please have your child draw a picture of what they would like to do at ZooCamp and help them write a description of what is happening in the picture.
- If you are applying for a scholarship for more than one child in the same household, you may use a single guardian letter, however each child must have their own form. Each child must submit their own letter or drawing.
- Please keep a scanned/photocopy for your records and mail the application to:
  The Oakland Zoo Attn: ZooCamp
  PO Box 5238
  Oakland, CA. 94605
  - You may also email in a scan of your application to zoocamp@oaklandzoo.org

Applications are reviewed in the order they are received (for mailed applications we will use the postmarked date), and you will be contacted as soon as possible regarding the outcome. When our scholarship funds are exhausted, we keep applications filed in order of receipt and will contact you if additional funding becomes available.

If you have questions about this application, the required documents, or our evaluation process, please call the ZooCamp Hotline: 510-632-9525 x280 or email zoocamp@oaklandzoo.org.
Scholarship Application Form for ZooCamp Summer 2020

PERSONAL INFORMATION
Camper’s Name: _______________________________  Grade in Fall 2020: _____
Guardian’s Name: _______________________________
Address: _______________________________________
City: __________________________ State: _____  Zip: __________
Phone: __________________________
E-mail address: _________________________________
Are you Oakland Zoo members? Yes / No (circle one)

Dependents living in the home:

Name: __________________________ Name: __________________________
Name: __________________________ Name: __________________________
Name: __________________________ Name: __________________________
Name: __________________________

Total number of dependents in the home: ______

Adults living in the home:

Name: __________________________ Name: __________________________
Name: __________________________ Name: __________________________

Total number of adults living in the home: ______

FINANCIAL INFORMATION – fill in your gross (ie. pre-tax) income

$ ________  Your monthly gross income
$ ________  Other adults in your household’s monthly gross income
$ ________  Other income (child/spousal support; state, federal, or county aid; student grants; food stamps; medical assistance, etc.)
$ ________  Total gross household income for last calendar year (pre-tax)
In 2019, ZooCamp registration fees are $239 for half day programs and $357 for full day programs. (There is a ~$30 discount if you are an Oakland Zoo Member.)

What do you feel you can afford to pay for ZooCamp? $________________

*Please note: we do not offer full scholarships. Each camper can receive 40-80% of their registration fees as a scholarship.

☐ I have included a letter from the child’s guardian explaining how this scholarship could help the child and why the family’s financial circumstances should qualify for a scholarship.
   ○ If you are applying for more than one child in the same household, only one guardian letter is required.

☐ I have included a letter from the student answering the question, “Why do you want to attend ZooCamp?”
   ○ If your camper is still learning to read and write, please have your child draw a picture of what they would like to do at ZooCamp and help them write a description of what is happening in the picture.
   ○ If you are applying for more than one child in the same household, each child must submit their own letter or drawing.

☐ Please be aware that we may use your quotes or drawings when soliciting donations to the ZooCamp Scholarship Fund. To protect your privacy, we will identify quotes by first name only.

By signing below, I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the information I have provided on this form is accurate.

Signature of parent/guardian: __________________________ Date: _________