

# Teen Wild Guides

## Important Dates

Orientations are an informational introduction to the program, designed to give an overview of the program and application process, as well as answer questions. Orientations are not mandatory, but are highly recommended. If you cannot attend an orientation, you may download an application from our website and submit it in person or via postal mail by the deadline. There are three training dates per application period, and all three training dates are mandatory (two during pandemic). Attending training is crucial to being a well-prepared volunteer, and we are unable to provide make-up trainings. Please check the training dates below carefully and ensure that you will be able to attend before applying to be a Teen Wild Guide.

***Due to the pandemic all orientations will be held virtually. Please attend an orientation to learn how the program has changed during COVID-19. There will only be two training sessions: the first will be virtual and the second will be in person at the zoo. Summer trainings are subject to change to both in person trainings if pandemic allows.***

### Winter/Spring 2021

**Orientations:** Saturday, January 9 at 2pm OR Sunday, January 10 at 2pm

**Applications Due:** Thursday, January 21

**Training Dates:** Sunday, February 14, 11:30am-2:30pm (virtual) and Sunday, February 21, 10:30am-3:30pm (this in person training is dependent on if the zoo is open)

### Summer 2021

**Orientations:** Saturday, April 3 at 4pm OR Sunday, April 4 at 4pm

**Applications Due:** Friday, May 14

**Training Dates:** Sunday, May 30, 11:30am-2:30pm (virtual) and Sunday June 6, 10am-4pm

### Fall 2021

TBD

Thank you for your patience and flexibility during this time. If you have any questions, please contact the Program Director for Teen Outreach, Katie Garchar at [kgarchar@oaklandzoo.org](mailto:kgarchar@oaklandzoo.org).



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