

OGLEBAY'S GOOD ZOO - Workshops

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT . . . WORKSHOPS

What is the cost for the workshop?

Workshops are \$12 per youth and \$7.50 per adult (plus tax if applicable). Good Zoo Member adults are free and youth are \$10 each. One adult is admitted free with every 8 paying youth. There is a minimum fee of \$125.

We require a \$125 non-refundable deposit at the time of booking. The balance is due on the day of the program. Payments may be made by credit card, cash or check made payable to "Good Zoo".
Tax must be added to the fees if group is not tax exempt. Tax-exempt organizations must provide a copy of their Tax Exempt Certificate (SSTGR Form F0003) prior to arrival at the zoo. Tax will be added if this form is not received by the zoo at least 10 days prior to the date of the program. You may download form from www.us-taxrev-sst-sstgb.pdf (Personal checks or personal credit cards cannot be accepted for tax exempt groups.)

What days and times are workshops held?

Generally workshops are available year-round on Saturday and Sunday afternoons starting at 1 pm. Weekday programs are also available and times may be altered to fit your group's schedule. Workshops are 2 – 2 ½ hours long.

What is included with the workshop?

For your workshop, you receive zoo admission, a program presented by zoo education staff, guided tour of part of the zoo, live animal presentation and an Oglebay patch or CD (based upon availability). Groups may visit the zoo before or after the workshop (during normal operating hours) since the entire zoo cannot be viewed during the program. Please check about zoo operating hours when scheduling. (The zoo is closed January/February but workshops and other programs are still available.)

What programs can my group choose from?

There is a wide variety of programs to choose from. Below is a list of programs available for sleepovers and workshops. Correlations to scout badges are listed in the program description. *Program descriptions can be found at the end of the Frequently Asked Questions.* Don't see what you want? If not, contact the zoo education department for a program specifically designed to meet your needs. (Additional fees may apply to special programs.)

Kindergarten – 1st grade

Around the World
Pets
Between Earth and Sky

2nd – 3rd grade

Bugs
Hiker
Senses
Can You Find it?
Pets
Home Scientist
Wonders of Water

4th – 5th grade

Map it! Track it!
Camping 101
Wildlife and Habitats
Plants and Animals

6 – 12th grade

Wild or Domestic
Night Owl
Hi Tech Hide and Seek

Workshop Fast Facts

\$12 per youth

\$7.50 per adult

1 adult free for every 8 youth

Minimum fee: \$125

Times: 1 – 3 pm (additional times, including evenings available)

Includes:

*zoo admission, a program presented by zoo education staff, guided tour of part of the zoo, live animal presentation and an Oglebay patch or CD (based upon availability)
Prices subject to change*

Cub Scouts

Geologist
Naturalist

Boy Scouts

Birds
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More programs for groups

Globe Trotting
If I Ran the Zoo
Wild and Rare

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How do I schedule my group for a workshop?

You can schedule either by calling the zoo education department at 304-243-4068 or by completing the reservation form found on the Oglebay website (www.oglebay-resort.com/goodzoo/camp.htm) or by e-mailing vmarkey@oglebay-resort.com. When you schedule, please have the date you prefer, the approximate number of people (youth and adult) that will be attending as well as your program choice. A deposit of \$125 is due at the time of booking. Dates will not be reserved without a deposit.

Can siblings or friends attend the workshop?

Yes, siblings and friends may attend the workshop as long as they are close in age to the group participants. All youth and adults attending the program must be included your attendance and pay the program fee.

When do I need a final attendance count?

The zoo needs a tentative attendance count when booking your program. In order for the zoo to have the proper amount of supplies, it is necessary to have a close count at least 7 days prior to your program. You will only be charged for the people attending the program or the minimum fee whichever is higher.

Do we get to see the entire zoo?

Because you will be doing a variety of activities with your educator, you will typically not have time during your program to visit the entire zoo. You may wish to allow yourselves extra time after or before your program for a self-guided visit to the zoo. Generally 1 hour in addition to your program time is adequate for exploring the zoo. Self-guided visits to the zoo must occur during normal zoo operating hours. Zoo hours vary seasonally. Please check for zoo hours of operation at the time of booking. The zoo is typically closed during January and February, but workshops are still available during this time.

Can we ride the zoo train?

The zoo train generally operates from Easter through Halloween. Train rides are available to workshop participants for a discounted rate of \$1.50 per person (facilities and weather permitting). To receive the discounted rate, train rides must be scheduled prior to arrival at the zoo.

Can we go to the gift shop?

This is entirely up to your group. The gift shop is open during normal zoo operating hours. If you wish to visit the gift shop, please allow yourself time before or after your workshop. Please ask for zoo hours when booking your program. The gift shop is not open in January and February.

Do you provide the Girl Scout Patch?

Patches for Girl Scouts are available through the Girl Scout Council. The zoo does provide an Oglebay patch or CD for each girl participating in the program.

Are there places to eat at the zoo?

The zoo has two concession stands that operate seasonally. The zoo can also provide bag lunches for your group. These must be ordered a minimum of 14 days in advance. The cost is \$4 per lunch with a minimum purchase of 10 lunches. They contain your choice of peanut butter and jelly or hot dog, chips, cookie and beverage. (Lunch contents and prices subject to change)

What is your inclement weather policy?

Workshops are held year-round, rain or shine! If snow or ice makes traveling to the zoo dangerous, the zoo may choose to reschedule your program. Please contact the zoo prior to your program to make any bad weather arrangements. Deposits are non-refundable and not transferable to groups who are a "no show".

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Do you offer sleepover programs for groups?

YES! Sleepover programs are available.

What if we do not want a full workshop program?

In addition to workshops and sleepovers, groups may choose to visit the zoo on their own at a discounted rate or choose our "educational package".

The educational package provides your group with a ½ hour animal or physical science program and a self guided tour of the zoo. See our "Explore and Learn" brochure on our website at

http://www.oglebay-resort.com/goodzoo/Zoo_Education_Brochure.pdf

Prices for educational packages are below.

Group Size	Educational Package Cost
1 – 20	\$ 85
21 – 40	\$135
41 – 60	\$215
61 – 80	\$300

Add the train ride to your educational package for an additional \$1.50 per person.

Rates are subject to change and do not include applicable fees and taxes.

What other activities are available at Oglebay?

Oglebay has a variety of activities for all ages and interests. Check out our website at www.oglebay-resort.com for more information on golf, swimming, tennis, ice skating, skiing, horseback riding and more. You may also call 304-243-4000 for details.

Wristbands are available Memorial Day through Labor Day. These all day use passes include tennis*, Par 3 golf course*, miniature golf, swimming, fishing*, pedal boating, trolley and admissions to Mansion Museum and Carriage House Glass. There is a discounted rate for groups of 25 or more. Log onto the website or call 304-243-4000 for wristband rates. *Rental equipment not included.

Sleepover Fast Facts

\$28 per youth

\$23 per adult

1 adult free for every 8 youth

Minimum fee: \$350

Times: 7 pm – 11 am

Includes:

zoo admission, program presented by zoo education staff, guided zoo tour, live animal presentation, program supplies, pizza as a nighttime snack, continental breakfast and an Oglebay patch or CD (based upon availability). Prices subject to change

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Sleepover and Workshop Program Descriptions

Kindergarten – 1st grade

Around the World - It's fun to explore the world and we will do just that here at the zoo! Learn about animals and cultures from all over the globe. Discover new habitats and how these habitats shape the plants and animals that live there.

Pets Learn to make choices and explore what pet is best for me. Some animals make good pets for us and other don't. Find out how to care for pets and how keepers care for animals at the zoo.

Between the Earth and Sky – Discover life in your own backyard! Explore birds and stars, water and land. Make comparisons between local and exotic wildlife.

2nd – 3rd grade

Bugs – Sure you'll learn about bugs and our invertebrate friends, but you'll also discover how these animals help us and see where they fit into the food chain. *This program corresponds to the "Bugs" Brownie Girl Scout Legacy Badge.*

Hiker - Take a fun hike with our zoo educators on the trail through the zoo. Make a field guide for some of the plants and animals you may encounter on your journey. Make a map and a packing list and even create a snack for along the way. *This program corresponds to the "Hiker" Brownie Girl Scout Badge.*

Senses - People and animals learn about the world by using their senses. We use our five senses (smelling, seeing, touching, tasting and hearing) without even thinking about it. Through fun activities, like taking a "taste test", go on a sniff and find trail, and even check out some optical illusions. Discover animal senses by seeing, hearing, smelling and touching. *This program corresponds to the "Senses" Brownie Girl Scout Badge.*

Can you find it? – Letterboxing and geocaching are popular pastimes for many people. Learn the basics of letterboxing, be introduced to compasses and GPS as well as doing map-making activities. Go on a "hidden box search" in the zoo to find the secret animal and more. *This program corresponds to the "Letterboxer" Brownie Girl Scout Badge.*

Pets - Many people have pets, however they are a big responsibility. Learn how to be a good pet owner from people who make their living caring for animals. Investigate "good" and "bad" pets, learn the basics of pet care, explore how animals communicate, learn how and why zoo keepers train their animals and of course see some domestic and wild animals, too. *This program corresponds to the "Pets" Brownie Girl Scout Badge.*

Home Scientist – Learning about science is fun! Experiment with foods and even make your own edible scientific experiment. Explore static electricity, density, bubbles, and even acids and bases! We'll also discover how animals "use" science, too! *This program corresponds to the "Home Scientist" Brownie Girl Scout Badge.*

Wonders of Water – Visit the zoo's wetland exhibit and find out why these ecosystems are important and how we can help! Make a "water protector" pledge, create a water cycle model, learn about the properties of water and discover how animals need water in many ways. *This program corresponds to the "WOW! Wonders of Water" Journey for Brownie Girl Scouts.*

4th – 5th grade

Map it! Track it! – Explore mapping and tracking skills by creating your own scavenger hunt. Learn the basics of GPS use. Apply your knowledge of GPS and/or compasses to find and produce a picnic menu. Make a track field guide and find clues that will help you track the "secret" animal through the zoo. *This program corresponds to the "Geocacher" Junior Girl Scout Badge.*

Camping 101 – Make a star chart, create a camping recipe book and try your hand at a simple camping snack. Learn to tie a simple knot and discover how compasses or gps can help us navigate. Explore animals after dark, dissect owl pellets. Start a nature journal, too! *This program corresponds to the "Camper" Junior Girl Scout badge.*

Wildlife and Habitats – Explore the diversity of life on our planet and explore the variety of life in our own backyard and homes. Learn how to identify and classify a variety of animals, make animal observations and create an ethogram, discover why some animals and their homes are in danger and explore things you can do to help. *This program corresponds to the "Animal Habitats" Junior Girl Scout badge.*

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Plants and Animals - Plants and animals need each other! Explore flowers, gardening and wildlife. Dissect a flower, discover pollination and see some pollinators, start your own plant, go on a flower hunt, make a fruit snack and more! This *program corresponds to the "Flowers" Junior Girl Scout badges.*

Detective – coming soon

6 - 12th grade

Wild or Domestic – Humans have depended on animals for assistance and companionship. Owning a pet is a big responsibility. Learn how to be a responsible caretaker for your pets. Discover how zoo keepers train the animals in their care and learn how to teach your pet using the same method. Make animal observations and create an ethogram, too.

Night Owl! - Discover nocturnal animals and nature through fun activities and hands-on experiences with animals. Go on a night hike, learn to use a bat detector and see a bat, owl and other nocturnal creatures. Dissect an owl pellet, make your own chewing gum, create a star chart and many other fun things! *This program corresponds to the "Night Owl" Cadette Girl Scout Badge.*

Hi Tech Hide and Seek - Explore mapping and tracking skills by creating your own scavenger hunt. Learn the basics of GPS use. Apply your knowledge of GPS and/or compasses to find and produce an ice cream sundae. Make a track field guide and find clues that will help you track the "secret" animal through the zoo.

Trailblazing – coming soon

Cub Scouts

Geologist - A geologist must have an in-depth knowledge of rocks, minerals, and the history of Earth to perform his or her job. Explore the world of rocks and the career of geology in this program, and touch on some of the many areas of geology that date back millions of years.

Naturalist - Take some steps to becoming a naturalist by visiting our zoo and seeing some of Earth's diversity. You will find out how to identify poisonous plants and animals in our area, learn about bird identification and also how to build your own terrarium to keep an "insect zoo" of your own.

Boy Scouts

Birds - Not only are birds fascinating to watch, but a vital element in our ecosystem. In this program you will see why, learn ways to describe and identify many species of birds, and go on a bird walk through the zoo. You will also get a "bird's eye view" of some of our feathered zoo residents.

Insects - Of the 751,000 species of insects on our planet, how many can you identify? In this program you will learn how insects are different from all other animals, how they are both helpful and harmful to humans, and explore their anatomy and life cycles.

Mammals - Mammals are an important part of the animal kingdom and fill many niches in the ecosystem. Investigate this class of animals. Find out where they live and the adaptations that help them survive there. Observe some mammals up close to gain a better understanding of what a mammal is.

Reptiles and Amphibians - These two classes of animals are very similar, yet very different. Learn the characteristics of reptiles and amphibians. Explore anatomy, growth, reproduction, and identification of herps, and see several up close.

More Programs – available for multiple age groups

Globe Trotting - Explore animals, habitats and people from around the world. Can you identify the continents and some animals that live there? Learn traditional games from other countries; make a craft to take home and more.

If I Ran the Zoo - Learn about exhibit design, animal care and zoo careers. Why do zoo keepers train their animals and how do they do it? What is "enrichment"? Who are the "docents"? Find out what it takes to work in a zoo. Participants will have the chance to design their own zoo exhibit and much more.

Wild and Rare - Discover endangered species and what you can do to help wildlife. Discover ways zoos are working to save rare animals. Learn how scientists study wildlife and make your own observations of zoo animals.

