

Guided Zoo Boise Field Trip Topics & Standards



Fur, Feathers, & Scales - recommended for Kindergarten

Engage your class in hands-on exploration of mammals, birds, and reptiles. Feel the fur from real animals, act out how bird feathers are used and meet a live reptile ambassador animal! See the zoo through new eyes on your guided tour complete with insider information.



Way to Grow - recommended for 1st Grade

Show your class the diversity of life cycles seen throughout the 100+ different species on exhibit! Explore real eggs in our classroom, mimic the life cycle of a frog, and meet a metamorphosis expert in one of our ambassador animals. Tour the zoo to get the inside scoop on how we provide top quality care for animals throughout their life cycle.



Tropical Rainforests - recommended for 2nd Grade

Explore the jungles of the world to discover why they can host such a huge diversity of life! Use the skills of a scientist to experiment, engage all your senses to observe our animals here at the zoo, and connect with an animal ambassador with your class up close!



Animal Teamwork - recommended for 3rd Grade

You've worked hard to have your class function in a group setting, now imagine if they actually WERE wild animals. For animals like zebras and prairie dogs that might actually make it easier. Get the inside scoop on animal teamwork through games, animal meet and greet and a personalized zoo tour!



Amazing Adaptations - recommended for 4th Grade

Engross your student's senses while discovering the tool kits animals have to help them survive. Use our Biofact library to get a closer look, and play at what would be life like with 'animal super powers'. Your experience wouldn't be complete without a guided tour and animal meet and greet!

Build-a-Zoo - recommended for 5th Grade

Take the components of a habitat and look at them in a new light, through an experience designed to showcase what it takes to make a zoo. Learn how to simulate nature through creative activities, and build onto what people have been learning since our zoo opened in 1916.



Zoo Careers - recommended for Grades 6th and up

Without the perceived pressure of asking what you want to be when you grow up, your class can learn about the careers available in the zoo community and what it takes to get there. Use critical thinking skills to problem solve real issues, and experience the perks of getting up close with our animals!

Conservation Club - recommended for Grades 6th and up

Your students can understand the world around them, but now what? Learn how to make a positive impact on the world through becoming an informed consumer and joining your community to utilize our resources to overcome obstacles.



Meet the zoo ambassador animals who raise hundreds of thousands of dollars each year to change the future for endangered animals around the globe.

Wildlife Science - recommended for Grades 6th and up

Answer the question of 'When does what we are learning ever get used?' and see how what we have learned has shaped how our zoo looks today, and how what we are learning now will shape our zoo in the future. Get a guided tour of our zoo, meet an animal ambassador, and try your hand at experiments showcasing wildlife science.

Don't see the topic you'd like? - leave details in the comments section of the request form for special requests.

Grade	Furs, Feathers & Scales	Way To Grow!	Tropical Rainforests	Animal Teamwork	Amazing Adaptations	Build A Zoo
K	LS1-K-1. Use observations to describe patterns of what plants and animals (including humans) need to survive.	Available	Available	Not recommended	Not recommended	Not Recommended
1 st	Available	LS1-1-3. Develop models to describe that organisms have unique and diverse life cycles but all have in common birth, growth, reproduction, and death.		Not recommended	Not recommended	Not Recommended
2 nd	Available	Available	LS2-2-1. Make observations of plants and animals to compare the diversity of life in different habitats.	Not recommended	Not recommended	Not Recommended
3 rd	Not recommended	Not recommended	Not Recommended	LS1-3-1. Construct an argument that some animals form groups that help members survive	Available	Available
4 th	Not recommended	Not recommended	Not Recommended	Available	LS1-4-1. Construct an argument that plants and animals have internal and external structures that function to support survival, growth, behavior, and reproduction.	Available
5 th	Not recommended	Not recommended	Not Recommended	Available	Available	LS2-5-3. Construct an argument with evidence that in a particular habitat some organisms can survive well, some survive less well, and some cannot survive at all.
6+	Zoo Careers, Conservation Club, & Wildlife Sciences Available for grades 6+ For specific standards please include details in the comment section					