



# Camps and Starlight Sleepovers

Camps are four days long and start on Mondays, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. All camps include a Starlight Safari sleepover on Fridays. The sleepover part of the camps takes place overnight on Friday (the 5th day) at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 8 a.m. on Saturday (the 6th day). Breakfast, lunch and snacks are provided daily, courtesy of the Texas Department of Agriculture's Summer Nutrition Program. Students have to be at least age 7 to participate in the Starlight Safari Sleepover. Family members are encouraged to register for the sleepover along with their student.

Cost for each Week Camp includes the cost for the Starlight Sleepover  
**\$150** **\$175**  
 members non-members

## 1st and 2nd Grades

<p><b>Dinosaur Discovery Camp:</b> Step back in time and discover creatures that roamed the planet. Many were small, but some were as big as a building. Come learn more about dinosaurs and get the chance to visit "Dawn of the Dinosaurs", the Zoo's robotic dinosaur exhibit.  <b>Session 603234:</b> June 3 to June 6 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 7 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Zoo Safari Camp:</b> Go on a safari at the zoo. Explore Australia, Africa, Asia and South America. Get to know what species of animals are found in each region.  <b>Session 610234:</b> June 10 to June 13 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 14 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.  <b>Session 708234:</b> July 8 to July 11 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and July 12 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Animal Homes Camp:</b> Nest, dens, hives, holes, hallows, caves and burrows are types of animal shelters. Some animals even carry their shelter where they go, while others will "borrow" some other animal's shelter. Come learn who are the architects of the various shelters in nature.  <b>Session 617234:</b> June 17 to June 20 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 21 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.  <b>Session 7324:</b> July 22 to July 25 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and July 26 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Rainforest Discovery Camp:</b> Learn why rainforests are important, what animals live there and how you can help conserve them. Meet some of the Zoo's animals that come from rainforests. This is a fun way to learn more about some very cool creatures!  <b>Session 624234:</b> June 24 to June 27 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 28 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.  <b>Session 729234:</b> July 29 to August 1 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Aug. 2 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Fish Tales Camp:</b> Come explore the underwater world of fish. Learn what fish make our reservoirs, gulf and river their home. The Starlight Sleepover of the camp will take place at Russell Aquatic Ecology Center. Don't miss a chance to "sleep with the fish."  <b>Session 701234:</b> July 1 to July 4 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and July 5 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Creature Feature Camp:</b> This is your opportunity to learn everything you ever wanted to know about tails, feet, arms and body coverings! See animals up close and meet some of the staff who care for them. Bring walking shoes to go on special tours behind the scenes.  <b>Session 715234:</b> July 15 to July 18 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 19 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>

## 3rd, 4th and 5th Grades

<p><b>Dinosaur Adventure Camp:</b> Join us for an adventure of gigantic proportions. Dinosaurs are back! Spend a week getting to know more about these prehistoric giants and get a chance to visit "Dawn of the Dinosaurs", the Zoo's robotic dinosaur exhibit.  <b>Session 603333:</b> June 3 to June 6 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 7 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Junior Zookeeper Camp:</b> Learn all about the most important job at a Zoo... zookeeping. Meet the keeper! You might be asked to help clean out exhibits, feed some animals or do some other exciting part of a zookeeper's job. Get familiar with the tools and techniques of the trade.  <b>Session 610333:</b> June 10 to June 13 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 14 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Habitat Sweet Habitat Camp:</b> Every living thing needs a home. A good animal home needs to have at least enough food, water, space and shelter for survival. Some animals need a lot of space, while others hardly any. Come discover what a good habitat is for some of the world's most interesting animals. Explore the Zoo in search of examples of animal habitats.  <b>Session 617333:</b> June 17 to June 20 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 21 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Rainforest Adventure Camp:</b> Learn some fascinating differences between rainforests and other types of forests. See some of the animals that come from rainforests around the world.  <b>Session 624333:</b> June 24 to June 27 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and June 28 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Aquatic Adventure Camp:</b> Spend some time learning about underwater ecology at the Russell Aquatic Ecology Center. At the end of the camp, "sleep with the fish." The Starlight Sleepover of the camp will take place in the aquatic center.  <b>Session 701333:</b> July 1 to July 4 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and July 5 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Amphibian Academy Camp:</b> Learn about amphibians and get to see some up close.  <b>Session 708333:</b> July 8 to July 11 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and July 12 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>All About Birds Camp:</b> Come learn about the Zoo's feathered residents.  <b>Session 715333:</b> July 15 to July 18 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and July 19 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>All About Reptiles Camp:</b> Come learn about reptiles and get to meet some up close.  <b>Session 722333:</b> July 22 to July 25 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and July 26 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>
<p><b>All About Mammals Camp:</b> There's about 80 species of mammals at the Zoo. Come learn about them.  <b>Session 729333:</b> July 29 to August 1 -- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and August 2 -- 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.</p>

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## Class Schedule

## Zoo Family Starlight Sleepover July 20<sup>th</sup>



Challenge your senses to observe nocturnal animals! Tour the Zoo at night! It's a sleepover in a nice, air-conditioned building. Enjoy games, a pizza party, an early morning outdoor breakfast and more!

**For adults and children over 7 years of age.**

**Times:** 6:30 p.m. to 8 a.m. the following morning.  
**Cost:** \$35 per person. This includes a pizza dinner party, zoo tour, games, breakfast, drinks & fun night-time activities!!

**What to bring:** Weather-appropriate clothing; sturdy walking shoes, small flashlight, insect repellent, toiletries, sleeping bag or blankets and a pillow.

**Information and Reservations:** Education Department (956) 548-WILD (9453)  
 Zoo Main Office (956) 546-7187 [www.gpz.org](http://www.gpz.org); email: [educ@gpz.org](mailto:educ@gpz.org)