



2019 ZooTeenApplication

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Jefferson County



- *Please type or print clearly, using black or blue ink.
- *Please complete all information on all pages, including the essay questions.
- *A letter of recommendation from a teacher **MUST** be included with this application.
- *Incomplete applications may not be considered.
- *Students must be between 13-18 years of age to apply.
- * There is a \$30.00 registration fee.

CONSIDERATIONS (Please read thoroughly before completing): We are looking for responsible, enthusiastic students with an interest in working in a zoological environment, and who can interact positively with guests. Students of all academic levels will be considered for the program. There is limited availability and students will have to participate in a phone interview prior to being selected for this program.

STUDENT INFORMATION (Please print)

Name

Cell phone

Street address

Student Email address

Will you be 13 years of age or older as of June 22, 2019?

City *State* *Zip code*

Yes No

Birth date _____

Parent Email address

Name of School

Check Your Current Year in School:

8th 9th 10th 11th 12th

PLEASE CHECK (✓) YOUR RESPONSES:

Please check your preferred day: Tuesday Thursday Either Day

Check Shirt Size: S M L XL 2XL (Adult sizes) Men's Women's

Hours Requirements: We ask Zoo Teens to volunteer **56 hours throughout the summer**. This is done by volunteering one day a week through the eight week Zoo Teen Program.



Before submitting this application, students with busy schedules such as sports, band camps, long vacations, jobs, etc., should carefully consider whether they have the time to commit to the program. Parental and family involvement is **NECESSARY**, as transportation, encouragement and support of the teens are critical for a great experience. Missing more than two scheduled days may affect program participation.

Zoo Teens will be scheduled for one day of classes on either Tuesday or Thursday and will choose one other day a week to volunteer.

Orientation

There will be a mandatory orientation on Saturday, June 22, 2019 from 9a.m. - 12p.m. This is designed to showcase the duties and responsibilities of a Zoo Teen and will allow students to ask questions and learn more specific details about the program.

I will attend the Orientation:

_____ **Saturday, June 22, 2019 9a.m-12p.m.**

(Initial here)

STUDENT COMMITMENT

Students involved in the Zoo Teen Program are expected to follow the same guidelines as Zoo employees. If selected, Zoo Teens are required to report to their assignment on their scheduled days. A typical day is from 9am to 4pm with a hour lunch, but the schedule may vary based on the needs of the specific assignment, daily programming and staffing. In the case of an absence, it is the responsibility of the Zoo Teen to contact Cornell Cooperative Extension of Jefferson County to inform the program director of his or her absence.

ZOO TEEN APPLICANT STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING:

I understand that I will participate in a Zoo Teen interview, and that this interview is not a guarantee that I will be selected for a position in the Zoo Teen Program. I understand that if I am selected, I must attend Zoo Teen Orientation and all other required trainings. In addition, I understand that I must follow all policies and procedures of the Zoo Teen Program, including uniform guidelines. I have considered my spring/summer activities and agree that I will not miss more than two scheduled class or volunteer days.

Zoo Teen Applicant Signature

Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Printed Name

Work phone

Cell phone

PARENT/GUARDIAN OF ZOO TEEN APPLICANT STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING:

I understand that if selected as a participant in the Zoo Teen Program, my son/daughter/ward will be committed to volunteering at the Zoo on scheduled days. As a parent/guardian, I will support my son/daughter/ward's participation by providing and facilitating transportation, encouragement and support as needed. I also understand that I will be required to sign a 4-H enrollment form, an acknowledgement of risk form and a zoo liability release form if my son/daughter/ward is accepted into the Zoo Teen Program.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION, ALONG WITH LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FROM A TEACHER OR EMPLOYER, TO:

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Jefferson County, 203 N. Hamilton Street, Watertown, NY 13601

- OR - Return by Fax: 315-788-8461 or email sld95@cornell.edu

Contact Sabrina DeRue at 315-788-8450 or via email at sld95@cornell.edu with any questions.

The deadline for completed applications including Letter of Recommendation, is May 17, 2019

Applications postmarked, emailed, faxed or delivered after this deadline may not be considered.

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