BRAMBLE PARK ZOO

800 10TH ST. NW, WATERTOWN, SD 57201 | (605) 882-6269

For questions about programs:
Please contact Jaime Stricker, Zoo Educator at Bramble Park Zoo
882-6269 or jstricker@brambleparkzoo.com

DAILY ADMISSION

2 and under: Free
3-12 years: $8.50+tax
13 years and older: $10.50+tax
Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

ZOO HOURS

Yes, the zoo is open year round!
Regular hours: 10:00am-4:00pm
Extended summer hours: 10:00am-7:00pm on Tuesdays
Memorial Day through Labor Day

TO REGISTER FOR ZOO ACTIVITIES GO TO

https://secure.rec1.com/SD/watertown-sd

FOLLOWING CDC GUIDELINES

Class sizes will be limited. All participants must be registered on the class roster, no tag-along siblings will be allowed. Parent/trusted adult of younger kids (4 and under) during Toddler Time and Preschool Zoo are required (at no charge) to help with social distancing and hand washing. We will spend as much time outside as possible, so please dress accordingly. Masks are encouraged indoors for those who can wear them.

Classes at Bramble Park Zoo immerse kids in wildlife, the environment, and the need to protect and care for both, all in a unique setting: the Zoo!

- Online pre-registration is required.
- Ages are calculated as of June 1, 2021, no exceptions.
- All programs are held at Bramble Park Zoo.
- A minimum of 5 participants are needed to hold each session.
- Parents must assist students with check in before each class.
- Students must wear close-toed shoes.
- Please do not come if you are feeling under the weather.

Zoo kids and parents can count on:

- An immersive experience at the Zoo, including meeting animals up-close
- Learning about the animals they know and love
- Plenty of time outdoors, taking nature hikes and playing
- Meeting other kids who have similar interests
- Children bursting with new knowledge and excitement from their days at camp
- Class enrollment numbers have been lowered; camps usually sell out, so sign up quickly.

ZOO MUCH FUN

PRESCHOOL ZOO

4-5 Weeks **Ages:** 3-5

Nurture your child's love for animals and nature with Bramble Park Zoo's programs for young children. With the Zoo as their classroom, teachers encourage children to investigate, play and learn through exploration activities. Parent or trusted adult must attend for ages 4 and under. Each week is a different theme.

Dates & Times:

Theme 1
Wednesday, June 23; Thursday, June 24 **or** Friday, June 25

Theme 2
Wednesday, June 30; Thursday, July 8 **or** Friday, July 9

Theme 3
Wednesday, July 14; Thursday, July 15; **or** Friday, July 16

Theme 4
Wednesday, July 21 **or** Friday July 23

Theme 5
Wednesday, July 28, Thursday, July 29 **or** Friday, July 30

Time: Wednesdays and Thursdays 10:00-11:30am
or 2:00-3:00pm
Fridays 2:00-3:00pm

Fee: $15 +tax for each class

TODDLER TIME: ANIMAL TALES

10 Classes **Ages:** 2-4

Enjoy a story, activity and animal related interaction during this one-hour program designed for our youngest fans and an adult. Each session is unique, sign up for them all.

Dates & Times:

Mondays: July 19; August 9
10:00-11:00am
Tuesday: August 10
10-11:00am
Wednesday: July 7
3:00-4:00pm
Fridays: June 25, July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30, August 27
10:00-11:00am

Fee: $10 +tax for each class

ENRICHMENT CAMP

2 Sessions **Ages:** 8+

Voted the most unique program at the zoo! This wildly popular summer program lets kids have fun, hands-on learning at the Zoo! Campers build and create enrichment toys for zoo animals, take special tours and observe animal behaviors up-close. This memorable zoo camp will focus on keeping captive animals healthy and the role of zoos as conservation organizations. The two days of camp will lead up to a special event where guests can see the items you made!

Dates & Times:

Session 1: Thursday & Friday mornings, August 5-6
Time: 9:00am-12:00pm
Session 2: Thursday & Friday afternoons, August 5-6
Time: 1:00-4:00pm

Fee: $50+tax per session includes materials and snacks

ZOOKEEPER FOR A DAY

2 Sessions **Ages:** 10+

It's all in a day's work for a zookeeper, and now visitors can try "the best job in the world" too. Here is your chance to work with a zookeeper and discover this rich and rewarding career. You will experience how to prepare food, clean up, and interact with the animals, learn about animal husbandry techniques and much more about the inner working of an accredited zoo. Please wear old clothes and close-toed shoes/boots.

Dates: Friday, June 11 or Saturday, July 10
Time: 8:30am-12:00pm
Fee: $25+tax

SLOTH ENCOUNTER

Ages: 5+

Hang with our two-toed sloth in our Sloth Encounter Program! Meet and speak with our sloth keepers for Sloth 101! Participants will be able to get a face-to-face hands-on experience, so bring your cameras for unforgettable moments!

Date & Time: Call to schedule (½ hour)
Tour subject to staff availability

Fee: $25+tax per person (includes admission)

ZOOCAMP

Bramble Park Zoo's summer camps are entertaining, educational, and unforgettable! Participants enjoy engaging activities and learning about the diversity of life in specific theme-based camps. Campers will have the opportunity to view live animals up close, explore the Zoo and everyone will have a "wild" time!

OPTION 1: A WEEK OF FUN!

Fee: $75+tax for all 4 days

ZOOCAMP 1-THEME: WEIRD AND WILD

4 Sessions **Ages: 6-12**

We will explore unique animals and plants. Please pack a healthy non-perishable snack for each day. You can sign-up for 1 session in each theme!

Dates & Times:

Session 1 mornings: Monday-Thursday, June 28-July 1
Time: 9:00-11:00am
Session 2 afternoons: Monday-Thursday, June 28-July 1
Time: 2:00-4:00pm
Session 3 mornings: Monday-Thursday, July 26-29
Time: 9:00-11:00am
Session 4 afternoons: Monday-Thursday, July 26-29
Time: 2:00-4:00pm

ZOOCAMP 2-THEME: Nature Mythbusters

2 Sessions **Ages: 6-12**

We will investigate animal fact or fiction. Please pack a healthy non-perishable snack for each day. You can sign-up for 1 session in each theme!

Dates & Times:

Session 1 mornings: Monday-Thursday, July 19-22
Time: 9:00-11:00am
Session 2 afternoons: Monday-Thursday, July 19-22
Time: 2:00-4:00pm

OPTION 2: PICK AND CHOOSE!

Fee: $20+tax per class

Can't commit to 4-days in a row, then sign-up to come one or more days. Must be the same day of the week each class to avoid duplicate lessons.

24 Sessions **Ages: 6-12**

Dates & Times:

Monday morning:
Dates: June 28, July 19 and/or July 26
Time: 9:00-11:00am
Monday afternoon:
Dates: June 28, July 19 and/or July 26
Time: 2:00-4:00pm
Tuesday morning:
Dates: June 29, July 20 and/or July 27
Time: 9:00-11:00am
Tuesday afternoon:
Dates: June 29, July 20 and/or July 27
Time: 2:00-4:00pm
Wednesday morning:
Dates: June 30, July 21 and/or July 28
Time: 9:00-11:00am
Wednesday afternoon:
Dates: June 30, July 21 and/or July 28
Time: 2:00-4:00pm
Thursday morning:
Dates: July 1, July 22 and/or July 29
Time: 9:00-11:00am
Thursday afternoon:
Dates: July 1, July 22 and/or July 29
Time: 2:00-4:00pm

ONE-TIME CLASSES

TEETH THAT CHOMP

1 Session **Ages: 5-12**

Date: Saturday, June 12
Time: 10:00am-12:00pm
Fee: $12+tax

WINGS THAT FLAP

1 Session **Ages: 5-12**

Date: Saturday, June 26
Time: 10:00am-12:00pm
Fee: $12+tax

EYES THAT SPY

1 Session **Ages: 5-12**

Date: Wednesday, July 14
Time: 10:00am-12:00pm
Fee: $12+tax

LUNCH WITH THE LEMURS

1 Session **Ages: 6-13**

Learn all about our two species of leaping lemurs and their favorite foods. Come hungry!

Date: Thursday, July 8
Time: 12:00-2:00pm
Fee: $20+tax (includes lunch)

NATURE EXPLORERS

2 Sessions **Ages: 5-10**

Let's use our five senses to explore nature together! Come prepared to get dirty!

Dates (Choose 1): Monday, August 9 or Tuesday, August 10
Time: 1:30-3:30pm
Fee: $15+tax

ONE-TIME CLASSES, CONTINUED

THE ZOO AFTER HOURS

1 Session | Ages: 8+

Evening sneak peek! Join a zookeeper for a fun-filled trip through the Bramble Park Zoo after hours. You will have the opportunity to see animals up-close as well as learn insider knowledge. "Come Closer" to Bramble Park Zoo and examine the fish, birds, cats, primates, plants and more that call the Zoo home.

Date: Thursday, June 17
Time: 6:00-7:30pm
Fee: $10+tax

FLASHLIGHT FUN FOR FAMILIES

1 Session | Ages: all

Families can come to Bramble Park and take a special after hours flashlight tour of the zoo. Many of the animals at the zoo are nocturnal, so they will just be waking up when you arrive. Bring a flashlight and your sense of adventure!

Date: Tuesday, August 17
Time: 8:15-10:15pm
Fee: $25+tax per immediate family

VIP: BEHIND THE SCENES

Ages: 5+

Enjoy this unique 1 ½ hour program in which visitors spend time touring with a zoo biologist. This tour allows participants to go behind the scenes, get face-to-face with exotic animals in off-exhibit areas, prepare meals and feed the animals at Bramble Park Zoo.

Date & Time: Call to schedule a time that works for you. (We must have at least two weeks advance notice. Tours are subject to staff availability. Minimum of 4, maximum of 10 people. Participants under 13 years of age must be accompanied by a paying adult. Walking is required.)

Fee: $35+tax per person (includes admission)

2-DAY CAMPS

SHELLEBRATION

2 Sessions | Ages: 5-9

Don't miss out on the shellebration! Join us as we explore all things turtle and tortoise!

Dates: Tuesday & Wednesday, June 22-23
Time: 9:00-11:00am or 1:00-3:00pm
Fee: $27+tax

PERFECT PAIRS

2 Sessions | Ages: 5-9

Whether it's picking bugs off a rhino's back or using a burrow made by an armadillo, some animals depend on each other! Learn about perfect pairs of the animal world.

Dates: Monday & Tuesday, July 12-13
Time: 9:00-11:00am or 1:00-3:00pm
Fee: $27+tax

ANIMAL TRAINING

1 Session | Ages: 6-12

Learn how and why we train our zoo animals, the basics of behavior modification, and play the training game. Video footage of training sessions may be viewed.

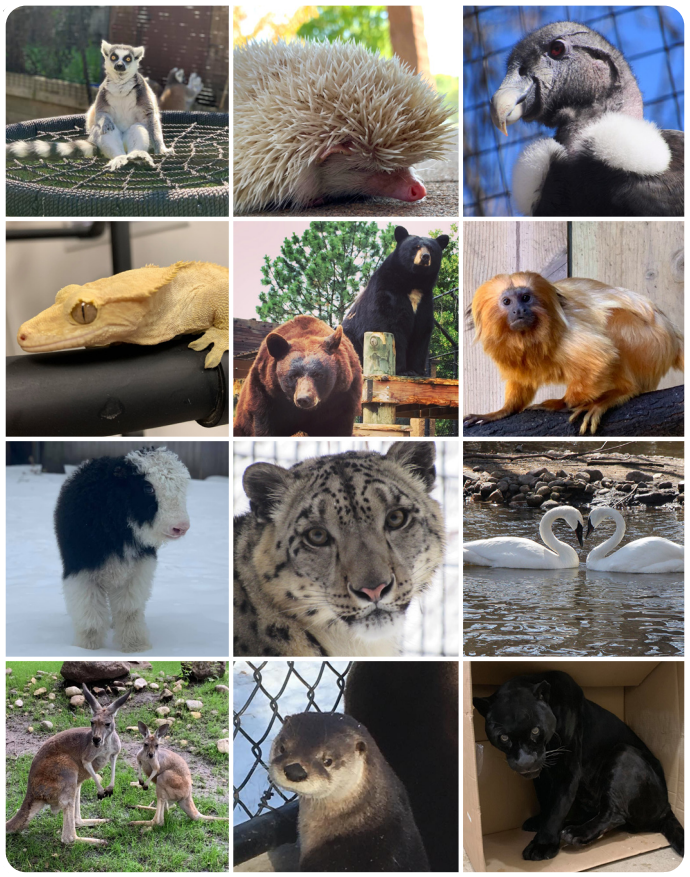
Dates: Monday & Tuesday, August 2-3
Time: 1:00-3:00pm
Fee: $27+tax

TEDDY BEAR TEA PARTY

3 Sessions | Ages: 3-10

Participants can bring their favorite stuffed teddy bear and join us for a very special PICNIC! Zoo Crew "veterinarians" will be on hand for free medical check-ups for your bear. Children will go on a bear hunt, help a zookeeper prepare breakfast for the bears and watch the bears eat.

Dates (Choose 1): Monday, June 14
Wednesday, July 7
Tuesday, August 3
Time: 9:30-11:30am
Fee: $13+tax



ZOO CREW

Grades: 7-12

Are you a hard worker? Dependable? Do you love animals? Working with the public? Are you looking for something fun to do this summer? Then this program is for you! You can assist with special events, act as an interpreter, help with education programs, go on outreach trips, and help the zookeepers in the barn. Pick up an application at the Zoo or online at www.brambleparkzoo.com. Mandatory training will be June 15 or 16. Program is limited to 30 participants. All candidates will be interviewed prior to acceptance. You will be required to volunteer at least 8 hours per week.

Date & Time: June, July and August (and throughout the school year as needed/available)
Deadline for application: Friday, May 14, 4:00pm
Fee: $65+tax
includes Zoo Crew T-shirt and materials

For more information contact Jaime at jstricker@brambleparkzoo.com

JANE GOODALL'S ROOTS & SHOOTS

JOIN ROOTS & SHOOTS TODAY AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR TOMORROW!

IT STARTS WITH JANE AND LEADS TO YOU!

We are offering new classes for teens and adults • service-learning and volunteer opportunities • promotes research, environmental science and conservation

JANE'S ADVENTURES

Grades: 6-12

A Jane Goodall Roots & Shoots Program for kids entering 6-12 grade

We will spend eight weeks studying the six kingdoms of life that make up our Great Plains ecosystem. Classes will be held on and off the campus of Bramble Park Zoo. While meeting local experts and conducting your own research, you will gain a greater understanding of how to identify threats to our environment and enact positive solutions to make a difference for the plants and animals we rely on. Our summer program culminates in a trip to Ely, MN International Wolf Center Saturday, August 7. This trip is optional for an additional $35 fee.

Dates: Tuesdays, June 8-July 27
Time: 1:00-4:00pm
Fee: $45 yearly Roots & Shoots membership fee
Field Trip: Optional field trip to Ely, MN International Wolf Center August 7
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Jane Goodall's roots&shoots

JANE'S AMBASSADORS

4 Sessions **Ages:** 18+

A Jane Goodall Roots & Shoots Program for adults 18 years and up

Together we can help model good ecological actions with simple activities that have a big impact on our natural environment.

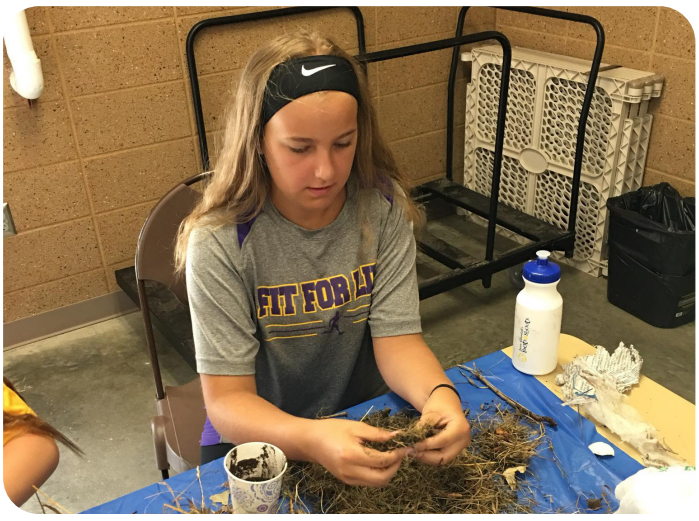
Tuesday, June 8:
Make-and-Take/Make-and-Give Butterfly and Bee Garden
Support the pollinators in your neighborhood by conserving and restoring habitat. We will study how small steps can restore the population of pollinators in our area and have a big impact on the agricultural land around us.

Tuesday, June 22:
Make-and-Take/Make-and-Give Reusable Grocery Bags
Create upcycled bags that are sturdy enough for groceries, beach toys and shopping trips. Learn sewing skills to turn cat and dog food bags into durable tote bags. Keep plastic out of landfills with this stylish and practical project.

Tuesday, July 6:
Make-and-Take/Make-and-Give Plant Care
Mix up natural pesticide sprays to keep your sidewalks or flowerbeds beautiful and free of weeds without chemicals. Turn your food waste into fuel for your plants with a compost bin perfect for your backyard.

Tuesday, July 20:
Make-and-Take/Make-and-Give Rain Barrel
Recycle a used barrel into a rain barrel to collect rainwater for outdoor use on flowers, lawns, and gardens. Outfit your rain barrel with a spout and cover. What a great way to conserve water during the hot summer months.

Dates: Tuesdays
Time: 5:30-7:00pm
Objective: Promote sustainable habitats, conservation and stewardship right here in our town
Activity: Make-and-Take a conservation project for you and Make-and-Give a project for your neighbor
Fee: $10 +tax fee per class session (Sign up for all 4!)



WILD BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Celebrate your birthday at the Bramble Park Zoo.
Please call the zoo at 882-6269 (at least 2 weeks in advance) to arrange your party.

#1 BIRTHDAY IN A BAG

Party includes admission to the Zoo for 12 youth and 2 adults, a backpack for the birthday child containing: a $10 gift certificate for the gift shop; petting zoo pellets for the KidZoo animals and corn for the waterfowl; scavenger hunt; and a $5 off coupon for a cake at the Hy-Vee bakery. You will be responsible for ordering and picking up the cake, food, decorations, clean up and chaperoning the participants during the entire party. Two parents or guardians must attend (there must be one chaperone for every 6 children).

Age: For older children ages 3+
Fee: $145+tax
(maximum of 12 children, 12 years and under and 2 adults)
Additional guests: $10.50+tax each

This party is unstaffed. Picnic tables are available on grounds on a first come, first serve basis. Inside accommodations may be made in case of inclement weather, if available.

Memberships do not apply.

#2 TRADITIONAL ZOO BIRTHDAY

Party includes admission to the Zoo for 12 youth and 2 adults, private party room for two hours, a special animal encounter, zoo games and $5 off coupon for a cake at the Hy-Vee bakery. You will be responsible for ordering and picking up the cake, food, decorations, clean up and chaperoning the participants during the entire party. Two parents or guardians must attend (there must be one chaperone for every 6 children). Party subject to staff availability.

Age: For older children ages 3+
Fee: $175+tax
(maximum of 12 children, 12 years and under and 2 adults)
Additional guests: $10.50+tax each
Add a Backpack: $20+tax
This party is staffed for approximately 1 hour.

Memberships do not apply.

#3 ROOM RENTAL

Rent a room at Bramble Park Zoo and host your own party or get-together. The classrooms/multi-purpose rooms in the Terry Redlin Environmental Center or the Big Red Barn can be reserved for $20 per hour. In addition, each person attending the function in the classroom would be charged regular admission. LAZS memberships do allow members to attend the party at no charge. The room rental option is perfect for birthday parties, meetings, showers, reunions and more!

Age: For younger children and families
Fee: $20/hour+tax, plus admission fees
or LAZS membership for everyone who attends

#4 KIDZOO PICNIC SHELTER RENTAL

Rent the Prairie Porch Picnic Shelter within the AWC Family Foundation's KidZoo. Call 882-6269 for availability and reservations.

Age: All
Fee: $25+tax, plus admission fees
or LAZS membership for everyone who attends

Inquire about renting the shelter for a coporate event

PARTY ANIMALS

Bramble Park ZOO

2021 SPECIAL EVENTS

Event	Day & Date	Time
Sippin' Safari (21 and over fundraiser highlighting food, drink, entertainment and animals from around the area)	Friday, June 18	6-9pm
Food Truck Festival (Sweet and savory food trucks and entertainment by JAIK band)	Saturday, July 24	11am-6pm
Enrichment Day (Animal play day)	Saturday, August 7	11am-1pm
LAZS Member Appreciation Picnic (Members only grill-out donated by Hy-Vee and Coca-Cola)	Monday, August 9	6pm
Midco Free Day	Thursday, August 12	10am-7pm
26th Annual Chili Cook-off & Salsa Challenge (Chili contest, music, and awards - reduced admission)	TBD	10am-4pm
ZOO BOO (Community supported trick-or-treating in a fun and safe environment - memberships not valid for youth) (1pm express entrance)	Saturday, October 23	2-6pm
Breakfast with Santa (Breakfast, photos with Santa, reduced zoo admission)	Saturday, December 11	8-11am

Dates, times and fees are subject to change without notice.
Please call (605) 882-6269 for more information on these events and other activities presented by Bramble Park Zoo.