

Programs are great for...



- School Classrooms
- Youth Groups
- Homeschool Groups
- Scout Groups
- Day Camps
- Senior Groups
- And more!

Program material is adjusted to be age appropriate for your group.



– Programs are interactive and include live animals for a one-of-a-kind, up close encounter.



– Programs do not include a tour of the zoo, so please allow additional time before or after your program.

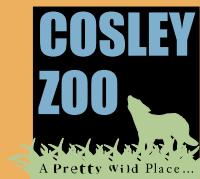
We offer programs for all ages!

Call us for your secondary education and adult education needs.



Frequently Asked Questions

- **Can we have lunch at the zoo?** Yes. Picnic tables are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Cosley Zoo does not have an indoor eating space.
- **Where do we meet the zoo instructor?** After checking in at the Wild Side Gift Shop, your instructor meets you and your group outside of the gift shop.
- **When is payment due?** Payment is due two weeks before your program. Check, Visa, MasterCard and Discover are accepted.
- **Will participants be able to touch any animals during the program?** While we cannot guarantee touching with all of our programs, we can guarantee interaction with the animals.
- **What happens in the case of inclement weather?** We can hold our education programs rain or shine. If you cancel a program due to extreme weather, we will work with you to reschedule.
- **What happens if we are unable to arrive on time for our scheduled program?** If you arrive late, you may receive a shortened or altered program, and no refund will be provided.
- **Can younger siblings attend the program?** To help ensure the quality of the program, we discourage bringing younger siblings to the program.



Cosley Zoo

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Education Programs



Early Elementary • PreK-Grade 2

Fur and Feathers (Body Covering)

meets standards 4.A.1a, 4.A.1b, 4.B.1b, 12.A.1a, 12.A.1b, 12.B.1a

Introduce your students to the different body coverings found on animals. In this class, they'll be able to see feathers, fur, and scales up close and identify their functions.

Critter Class (Animal Classification)

meets standards 4.A.1a, 4.A.1b, 4.B.1b, 12.A.1a, 12.A.1b, 12.B.1a

What makes a mammal a mammal or a bird a bird? Students learn the criteria that help us place animals in their proper classification or group.

Gone Buggy (Insect Characteristics)

meets standards 4.A.1a, 4.A.1b, 4.B.1b, 12.A.1a, 12.A.1b, 12.B.1a

What has three body parts, six legs, two antennae and sometimes wings? Bugs! Learn basic bug characteristics and much more.

What Is a Farm?

meets standards 4.A.1b, 4.A.1c, 4.B.1b, 12.B.1a, 12.B.1b, 13.B.1d, 17.C.1a

An animal's environment is very similar to our home. See and learn about the yards, stalls and "kitchen" for the farm animals.



Late Elementary • Grades 3-5

No Bones About It (Vertebrate/Invertebrate)

meets standards 4.A.1a, 4.A.2b, 4.B.2b, 12.B.2b, 24.A.2b

What has bones and what doesn't? This program focuses on the differences between invertebrates and vertebrates.

Home Sweet Habitat (Habitats & Adaptations)

meets standards 4.A.2b, 4.B.2b, 12.B.2a, 12.B.2b, 24.A.2b

Why do some birds have webbed feet? How can some animals live in the mountains? Learn about animals' special features, their habitats, and their conservation.

Who's Who (Animal Connections)

meets standards 4.A.2a, 4.A.2b, 4.B.2b, 12.B.2a, 12.B.2b, 24.A.2b

Is the animal a predator, scavenger, decomposer or prey? Find out about the important role animals play in the environment and in each other's lives.



Group Size:	PreK (Ages 3-5) = max 20/program Grds. K & Up = max 30/program Minimum = 12 (groups smaller than 12 need to pay for 12)
Program Length:	45 minutes

Don't see a topic?

Give us a call! We'll do our best to design a program to suit your needs. Want to expand upon your program? Pre- and post-visit materials for many of our programs are available online at www.cosleyzoo.org. These materials, along with our programs, incorporate Illinois State Standards for math, language arts, and science.

Scheduling

Contact the Education Department at 630.665.5534. All programs are offered on a first come, first served basis. A minimum of two weeks advance notice is needed to schedule a program. Earlier registration is recommended.

Fees

- District 200: \$3 per participant (minimum \$36)
- Out of District: \$4.50 per participant (minimum \$54)
- No additional charge for chaperones if kept to a 1:5 ratio. Additional chaperones will be charged admission.
- Payment is due two weeks prior to program
- Go to www.cosleyzoo.org for complete payment and cancellation information.

Can't come to the zoo? Let Cosley Zoo come to you!

Zoo to You Programs

These outreach programs include a "lesson" that is emphasized using biofacts and a live animal visit. A brochure can be downloaded from our website. Call for scheduling.