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## FREE EDUCATOR PREVIEW PASS

Test drive your field trip,  
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your onsite activities, and take  
your time planning a great  
experience for your students.  
Call our School Scheduler at  
952.431.9218 for details or to  
arrange your visit.

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### What's New at the Zoo?

*3M Penguins of the African Coast!* Now open near the new South Entrance and Cargill Environmental Education Center.

*The KAYTEE World of Birds Show is back!* The recently opened Target® Learning Center indoor theater is the new winter home of the KAYTEE World of Birds Show. Check [mnzoo.org](http://mnzoo.org) for current show schedules before your visit.

*Coral Reef exhibit undergoing renovation this fall and winter!* Expect the exhibit to reopen early spring—with more fish, more coral and improved viewing!

*New animals!* Ever heard of a Dhole? Look for this unique species of asian wild dog on the Northern Trail in late fall.

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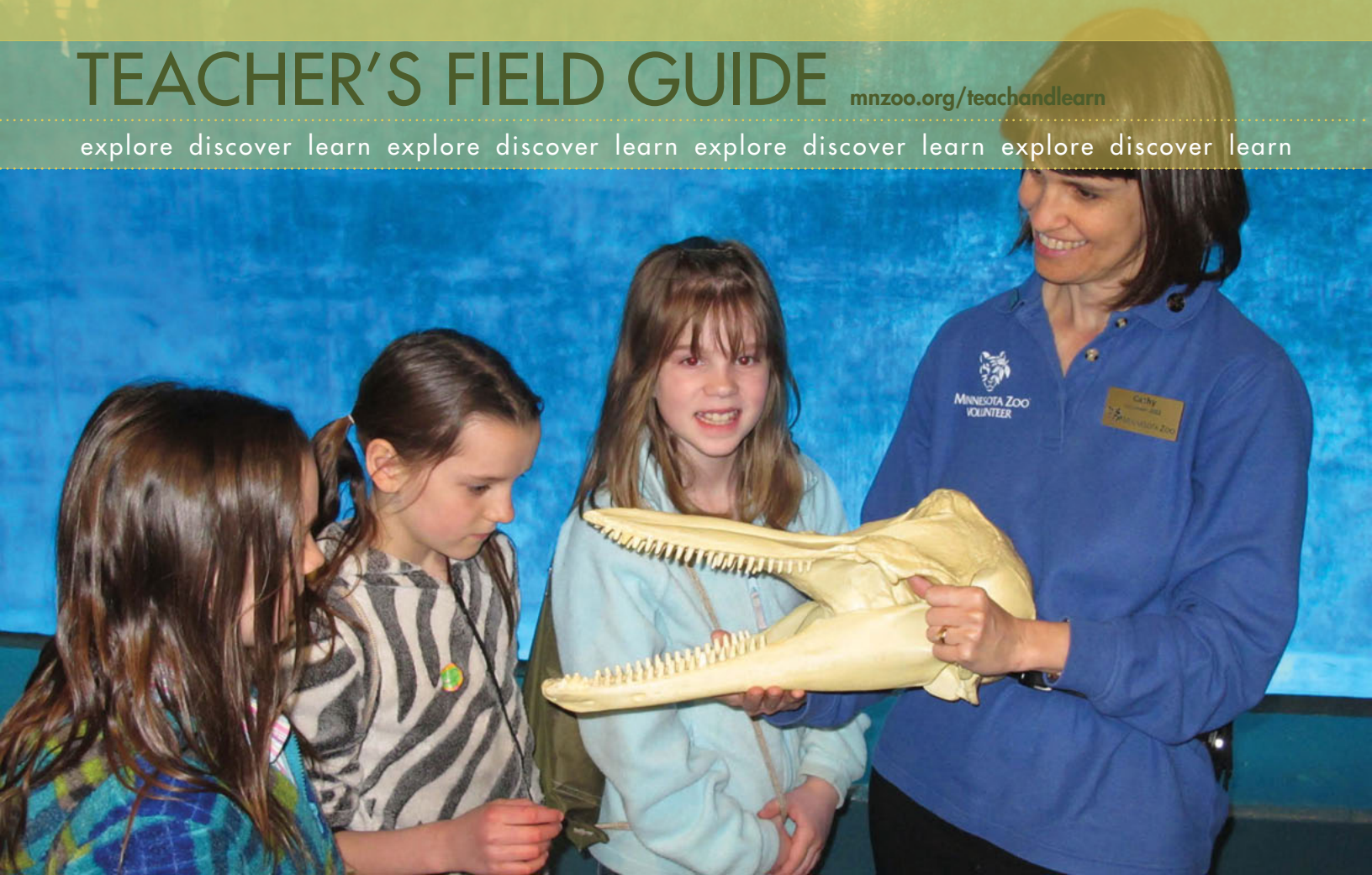


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2011-2012

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# FIELD TRIPS

A field trip to the Minnesota Zoo is bound to be full of discovery, excitement, and memorable sights and sounds! Consider adding even more to the experience with a hands-on educational Zoo Class, a ride on the climate-controlled Monorail, an enlightening Behind-the-Scenes Tour, or even an IMAX film.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To receive the school admission rates, register at least 2 weeks in advance—online at [mnzoo.org/teachandlearn](http://mnzoo.org/teachandlearn) or call 952.431.9218. Free admission will be honored for students whose families hold valid Zoo memberships.

### 2011–2012 School Admission Fees

K–6th grade .....	\$5
7th–12th grade .....	\$7
Adult Chaperones .....	One free adult per each 5 paid students
Additional adults .....	\$10 each
Parking .....	\$5/car or \$10/bus

**Home Schools:** Above school admission fees apply for Monday through Friday field trips with preregistration. One adult admitted free per family.

**Preschool** ..... Contact Group Sales 952.431.9298



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## ZOO CLASSES – NEW CLASSES AVAILABLE!

### Grades K–12

Fees: \$3.00/student (\$36.00 minimum) plus applicable admission. Up to 30 students per class.

Up close and personal live animal encounters and hands-on activities await! These 45 minute interactive classes are fun and engaging and provide a great opportunity to reinforce standards-based concepts being explored in your curriculum. Topics range from tropical rainforests to animal adaptations to ocean conservation. View a complete list of NEW and IMPROVED age-appropriate classes and the Minnesota state standards they support at [mnzoo.org/teachandlearn](http://mnzoo.org/teachandlearn).

## MONORAIL

### All ages

Fees: \$3.00/person scheduled in advance

\$4.00/person on-site

Give you and your students a birds-eye view of our grizzly bears, tigers, bison and more! Each naturalist-led trip is unique and focuses on the animal activity, conservation, and seasonal changes of our Russia's Grizzly Coast and Northern Trail exhibits. Offered year-round, weather permitting.

## BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS

### Grades 4–College

Fees: \$9/person (\$90 minimum) plus applicable admission

Venture into the world of a Zookeeper! These naturalist-led 90-minute tours include a visit with a zookeeper, and give insight into our trails, animal behavior and management, zoo careers and conservation. Choose a tour of the Tropics Trail, Minnesota Trail and *Russia's Grizzly Coast*, Aquariums or Northern Trail.

## ZOO RENDEZVOUS

### Grades K–12

Fees: \$3.00/student (\$125.00 minimum) plus applicable admission

Schedule Zoomobile's popular road programs during your Minnesota Zoo visit. Maximum 150 students/program. Limited times available.

## IMAX

### IMAX w/Zoo Visit

Students: \$5.00 Adults: \$6.50

### IMAX only

Students: \$6.00 Adults: \$7.50

### Full-Length Film

Students: \$10.00 Adults: \$13.00

The Great Clips IMAX Theater is dedicated to providing a wide range of educational large-format films for class field trips. Whether your group is studying animals, nature, art or science, an IMAX film can educate, entertain, and engage your students. Call 952.997.9714 for more information.

## SCHOOL SPECIAL EVENT DAYS

### Grades K-12

Fees: \$3.00/student plus applicable admission

These cross-curriculum days showcase how the Zoo is a wonderful learning environment for multiple areas of study. Activity stations, music, and special guests help immerse your students into the theme of the day. For more information visit [mnzoo.org/teachandlearn](http://mnzoo.org/teachandlearn).

### Math Day 2+2=Zoo!

November 8, 2011 (dedicated to elementary grades)

November 9, 2011 (dedicated to secondary grades)

Students think like zookeepers, exhibit designers, or aquarists and solve real life math problems essential to the daily operations at the Minnesota Zoo.

### Geography Day—grades K-8

November 18, 2011

A great way to conclude National Geography Week! Travel around the globe to meet a variety of worldly animal ambassadors and interact in student-led activity stations.

### World Language Days—all language levels

Thousands of students practice their language skills as they serve as interactive animal interpreters and participants. Music, skits, and games help transport students to places around the world.

**Japanese Day** December 14, 2011

**Chinese Day** February 2, 2012

(in partnership with the Confucius Institute)

**French Day** February 7, 2012

**German Day** February 8, 2012

**Spanish Days** February 15 and 16, 2012

### Endangered Species Day—NEW!!!—all grades

April 20, 2012

Celebrate this Earth Day by exploring the importance of protecting endangered species. Discover everyday actions that help protect our nation's disappearing wildlife and last remaining open space.

### American Sign Language Day (ASL)—NEW!!!—all levels

May 1, 2012

Modeled after our World Language Days, we invite all students—either learning or using ASL—to come learn about the animals.

**WANTED**—student presenters! Have a class interested in presenting at one of our events? Contact us at 952.431.9260 or email [gina.goralski@state.mn.us](mailto:gina.goralski@state.mn.us)

## OVERNIGHTS & TWILIGHT ADVENTURES

### Grades 3-12

Fees: \$47.00/person **Overnights**

(4:30 p.m.—8:00 a.m. the next morning)

Fees: \$40.00/person **Twilight Adventures**

(4:30 p.m.—10:00 p.m.)

Fees include admission and parking

30-60 participants

Explore the Minnesota Zoo after hours! Zoo naturalists lead your group through a fun-filled evening of activities and behind the scenes tours. Includes dinner, snack, and t-shirts for all participants. Overnight guests will also receive breakfast after catching their zzz's at the Zoo. For details and available dates visit [mnzoo.org/teachandlearn](http://mnzoo.org/teachandlearn).

## ZOOMOBILE OUTREACH PROGRAM

We bring the Zoo to you! Zoomobile naturalists use live animals, biological artifacts, theater techniques, storytelling, and audience participation to create a dynamic, personal, and fun program for all ages.

Whether you need a large group assembly or an in-depth and close-up look at animals right in your classroom the Zoomobile will give your students a unique educational experience. For details on programs, fees, and bookings, visit [mnzoo.org/zoomobile](http://mnzoo.org/zoomobile) or call 952.431.9228

## INTERACTIVE VIDEO CONFERENCING

### Grades K-12

Fees: \$85.00/program for schools in Minnesota

\$115.00/program for schools outside Minnesota

Connect with the Minnesota Zoo like never before! Students can now participate in exciting live Zoo programs from the comfort of their own classroom. Through cutting edge video conferencing technology, Minnesota Zoo educators lead interactive 45-minute programs featuring fun games, live critter cameras, tons of neat animal facts, and even special animal guests! Programs are standards-based and include pre and post activities and resources. Call 952.431.9522 for additional information. To view available program descriptions and booking instructions, visit [mnzoo.org/IVC](http://mnzoo.org/IVC).

**GO GREEN!** Encourage students to bring reusable and recyclable cups and lunch containers.



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# TEACHER PROGRAMS

Be sure to subscribe to our electronic newsletter for educators (see below) to be notified of additional workshops and opportunities as they get scheduled throughout the year. View full descriptions and details at [mnzoo.org/teachandlearn](http://mnzoo.org/teachandlearn)

## FALL SCHEDULE

### Workshop – Uncovering the Oceans

November 4-5, 2011

The basics of marine biology, ocean ecology, and conservation for educators. Graduate credit available.

### Workshop – Classroom Menagerie

November 19, 2011

An introduction to keeping animals in the classroom.

### Workshop – Moose in Minnesota

December 3, 2011

Explore a Minnesota iconic species and investigate its declining population.

## EDUCATOR EXPEDITIONS

### South Africa – Penguin Parade and Wildlife Field Safari

Summer 2012

Come face-to-face with the Minnesota Zoo's newest featured species—South African Penguins—in their home habitat! Continue the adventure with a once-in-a-lifetime wildlife field safari tour in search of lions, elephants, rhinos, and more. Graduate credit available. Call 952.431.9568 for information.



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## STAY CONNECTED

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### MNZOO TEACH & LEARN TIMES—Electronic Newsletter for Educators

Receive bimonthly updates about upcoming teacher events, zoo construction, new programs and exhibits, and more!

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### MNZOO TEACH & LEARN LOOP—Follow Us on Facebook!

Join the loop to share ideas and resources about teaching, animals, and the Minnesota Zoo. Plus, don't miss posts about the regular adventures of our own Flat "Keeper" Stanley as he explores the nooks, crannies, and critters of the Minnesota Zoo.

Follow the link to 'like' the loop at [mnzoo.org/teachandlearn](http://mnzoo.org/teachandlearn).

**RECYCLE FOR  
RAINFORESTS**

### RECYCLE FOR RAINFORESTS—Student Conservation Project

Start a cell phone recycling drive in your class or school! This is a great opportunity to introduce students to an authentic conservation project with tangible results. Participating schools will receive posters, parent letter templates, educational resources, and more!

Visit [mnzoo.org/teachandlearn](http://mnzoo.org/teachandlearn) for details.