

Utica Zoo Camp Frequent Asked Questions

Question: What should my child wear to zoo camp?

Answer: Something you don't mind getting dirty! We are out and about all day exploring the zoo and doing crafts. Your best bet is to dress your child for the weather in their 'play clothes.' Packing a change of clothes is a good idea too! Please have your camper wear comfortable and sturdy shoes. Hats, sunscreen, and insect repellent are some other items that come in handy.

Question: Does my child need to pack a lunch?

Answer: If your child is registered for a 'full day' or 'single day' camp, they should bring a lunch (a refrigerator will be available in the auditorium for storing lunches). We will provide a snack, but not a lunch. Packing plenty of water to drink and a refillable drinking bottle is highly recommended! We ask that campers do not rely on the food vendor at the zoo because of varying schedules.

Question: Where do I drop off my child?

Answer: An adult needs to drop off their zoo camper in the auditorium, sign them in, and write down who will be picking them up each day. Many parents and campers also set up carpools to the zoo, which we highly encourage! We just ask that you inform one of the zoo camp counselors about which parent will be picking up each day!

Question: What do I do if I am running late or if someone other than a previously designated adult is picking up my child?

Answer: Please notify us as soon as possible if there are any changes to your drop off or pick up schedule. If you are more than 25 minutes late to pick up your child, you will be charged the aftercare fee. We realize that emergencies and conflicts do come up, and you are more than welcome to schedule before and after care at any point before or during your child's zoo camp session.