JUNIOR VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Program: 6/10/13 - 8/9/13

A. General Information

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Telephone #: _____ Parent/Guardian Telephone #: _____

Email address: _____

Parent/Guardian name: _____

Parent/Guardian email address: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

T-shirt Size – Circle One (adult size) S M L XL XXL

Last grade completed by June 1st: _____ Where? _____ Age on June 1st:_____

B. Skills

Previous Volunteer Experience: _____

_____

List any Zoo programs you have participated in: _____

_____

Hobbies/Special Interests: _____

Why do you want to volunteer at The Texas Zoo? _____

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How did you learn about the Jr. Volunteer program? _____

C. Availability

Circle each day you are available:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Can you be at the Zoo by 8:00 AM? Yes No

Can you be picked up by 4:30 PM? Yes No

D. Interests
Which area do you prefer?
_____ Jr. Zookeeper: assists keeper staff by preparing food, cleaning animal enclosures, providing enrichment, etc.

_____ Jr. Zooteacher: assists education staff with camps, presents animal programs, ect.

E. Important Notes
Please check each one and have a parent or guardian initial each:
_____ If you are selected as a Jr. Volunteer, you and your parent or guardian must attend the Safety and Orientation meeting. If you cannot attend this meeting, you cannot volunteer this year.
_____ If you are selected, you will by required to sign a medical release form due at the Zoo by the Safety and Orientation meeting.
_____ If you are selected, there will be a $55 fee for your uniform, supplies, and individual membership. If you'd like a family membership instead, the fee is $80. This is due by the Safety and Orientation meeting.

F. Additional Materials
ESSAY: Please write and attach a one-page, double spaced, typed essay describing why you think zoos are important and how they are used as conservation education tools. If reapplying, you must submit a new essay.

REFERENCES: Please attach 2 letters of recommendation. The letters must be from current teachers, school administrators, or community leaders. Letters from parents/relatives will not be accepted.

Should you be chosen to participate in the Jr. Volunteer program, it is imperative that you be at the zoo when you are scheduled. This requires parents/guardians to be in full support of you and the program. This includes providing necessary transportation, signing of a release form, etc. Parent signature is required to complete the application.

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Applications must be returned no later than May 6th, 2013. Accepted Junior Volunteers and parents/guardians are required to attend an information meeting at The Texas Zoo, Thursday, May 23th at 6:00p.m. Junior Volunteer program begins 6/10/13 and ends 8/9/13.

Students must be 13 years old by June 1st in order to apply.
All training is mandatory. There will be no exceptions.