



TEACHER PACKET

ZOO & WILDLIFE CAREERS



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Recommended for grades 3–12

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Dear Teacher,

As the human population of the world has grown and our consumption of resources has impacted the earth, the state of our environment has come to be an important concern. By pursuing careers that relate to the environment, such as careers in wildlife sciences and conservation, individuals can dedicate their lives to providing a healthy, functioning, biologically diverse earth for future generations.

This packet was designed for use by classroom teachers of grades 3 through 12 to guide their students in explorations of zoo and other wildlife careers. The information may also be of interest to teachers of younger grades and some of the activities can be adapted for younger grades. Much of the material in this packet is suitable for older students as background reading or resources for further information. Teachers are encouraged to copy and distribute this material to their students.

The activities in this packet have been designed for use before, during and after a visit to Woodland Park Zoo. However, if you are unable to visit the zoo, the majority of the activities can also be covered in the classroom and/or outdoor settings apart from the zoo. The activities in this packet have been developed for use with different grade levels, to reach multiple disciplines and learning styles, and to tie in with Washington State Essential Academic Learning Requirements and Environmental and Sustainability Education standards.

Please see the Education section of the zoo's website (www.zoo.org) for more information or to register for a self-guided visit or a school program at the zoo.

Sincerely,

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