

PROSPECT PARK ZOO
Discovery Guide Application
(Please Print)

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Cell phone/pager: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth (if under 18): _____

EDUCATION:

High School _____ Year of Graduation _____

Relevant Classes Taken: (Please indicate past or present)

Biology _____ Environmental Studies _____ Other _____

College _____ Year of Graduation _____

Major _____

Past Internships:

Internship Site: _____

Date of Internship: _____

Duties: _____

Supervisor and Contact Information: _____

EMPLOYMENT: (Please circle past or present) If resume is available, please submit with application.

Past Present Employer _____

Position held _____

Type of Business _____

Past Present Volunteer Site _____

Duties: _____

Have you ever worked/volunteered for another site of the Wildlife Conservation Society?

If so, when and where? _____

Supervisor's name and contact number _____

INTERESTS:

Please check any special skills/interests.

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| Teaching _____ | Craft Development _____ |
| Public Speaking _____ | Puppetry _____ |
| Story Telling _____ | Face Painting _____ |
| Library Science _____ | Photography _____ |
| Internet Research _____ | Fine Arts _____ |
| Gardening _____ | Acting _____ |

Computer skills? Please specify:

Fluent in another language? Please specify:

Interests?

Why do you want to volunteer at the Prospect Park Zoo?

Who/What encouraged you to call the Volunteer Office for an internship application? If a current or past volunteer/intern referred you, please list their name and your relation.

Volunteer shifts are mornings, afternoons or full days.

Morning shifts are from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm and afternoon shifts are from 12:45 pm to 5:00 pm (5:30 on weekends). Please note your availability by marking "1", "2", and "3" to indicate your first, second and third choice.

Shift Time & Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning							
Afternoon							

Season you wish to begin: Winter (February) Summer (July) Fall (September)

Do you have any requirements to fulfill for your school (such as a minimum number of community service hours)? If so, please list your requirements here:

All applicants must meet the requirements listed below.

- All applicants must be at least fourteen (14) years of age & have *completed* middle school.
- Teen applicants must submit a recommendation from a teacher, scout leader, etc. (unless represented by an internship program).
- All applicants must successfully complete a training course, including a written test.
- All applicants must be available to attend training before they can volunteer. Fall (September classes), Winter/Spring (February classes), & Summer (first week in July)
- Upon successful completion of training, the minimum time commitment expected includes:

High School Students:

School Year: Weekends - One half-day every weekend or one day every other weekend

Weekdays – One half-day every week (For 1 full semester or longer)

Summer: Two days per week, for at least 7 weeks (100 hour minimum)

Adults (18 and up): One half-day every week or one day every other week (One-year minimum)

- All applicants must be willing and able to work both indoors and outdoors.
- All applicants must be willing and able to work with children of varying ages, as well as adults.

Please consider all the information above before submitting your application.

I have considered all the requirements and would like to submit my application for the Prospect Park Zoo Discovery Guide Program. ***I certify that I am at least fourteen (14) years of age.***

Printed name _____

Signature _____

Date

If under 18 years of age, please have parent/guardian sign:

Parent/Guardian name (print) _____

Signature _____

Date

Send completed application to: Volunteer Coordinator, Education Department
Prospect Park Zoo
450 Flatbush Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11225

Prospect Park Zoo
Teen Volunteer Recommendation Form

To be completed by a school faculty member or community leader.

Recommendation for: _____

How would you rate this student's ability to work with the public? Have you observed this student's interpersonal skills?

Does this student have the maturity and responsibility to represent the Prospect Park Zoo as a volunteer? How has he/she demonstrated these qualities in school or in your program?

Does this student have a well-developed interest or background in science? What special projects or studies has he/she undertaken?

What other comments can you offer in support of this student's application to become a Prospect Park Zoo Discovery Guide?

Your Name: _____

School or Organization: _____

Position: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____