

PROSPECT PARK ZOO
Summer Volunteer Application for Teens and College Students
(Please Print)

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Cell phone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

EDUCATION:

Middle School _____ Year of Graduation _____

High School _____ Year of Graduation _____

Relevant Classes Taken: (Please indicate past or present)

Biology _____ Environmental Studies _____ Other _____

College _____ Year of Graduation _____

Major _____

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

Past Present Employer _____

Position held _____

Type of Business _____

Supervisor Contact: _____

★ Past Present Volunteer Site _____

Duties: _____

Supervisor Contact: _____

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:

Do you have any special skills or talents (the arts, public speaking, research skills, etc.) that you think are applicable?

Are you fluent in another language? Please specify:

Interests?

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

How did you find out about the Prospect Park Zoo’s summer volunteer program? If a current or past volunteer/intern referred you, please list their name and your relation.

Summer volunteer shifts are 9:30 – 5:00 on weekdays, and 9:30 – 5:30 on weekends.

Summer volunteers must be available for 2 full day shifts per week and are required to complete at least 100 volunteer hours after training.

Please note your availability by marking "1", "2", and "3" below your first, second & third choices.

Full Day Summer Shifts						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday

COLLEGE STUDENTS:

Summer dates you are available to volunteer: From _____ to _____.

Please check all areas that interest you:

- Animal Behavior Studies
- Teaching/ Interacting With Children
- Public Speaking
- Urban Ecology

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). Send recommendations with the application if possible.
- All applicants must successfully complete a training course, including a written test.
- All applicants must be available to attend all training classes before they can volunteer.
Summer 2012 Classes: June 28, 29, 30, and July 2, & 3, from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM.
- A fee of \$35.00 is required for all trainees, which covers a uniform shirt, ID badge and training materials.
- Upon successful completion of training, the minimum time commitment expected includes: 2 full days per week for at least 7 weeks of the summer (100 volunteer hours after training)
- 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:

Prospect Park Zoo
Volunteer Coordinator, Education Department
450 Flatbush Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11225

You can also fax the application to: (718) 399-7329

Summer 2012 applications are due no later than March 31, 2012

Questions? Email ppzvolunteer@wcs.org

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:** _____

Please give this recommendation (in a sealed envelope if you prefer) to the student to submit with their application. If that is not possible, fax to 718-399-7329, attention Volunteer Coordinator.