Thank you for your interest in volunteering at Peoria Zoo!

Please read the following information carefully
before completing or updating the
Peoria Zoo Volunteer Adult Application Form.

By completing this application you are authorizing the Peoria Park District to perform all required background investigations including criminal history investigations necessary for volunteering. Volunteers who transport program participants are also required to complete a drug screen. Volunteers working in some areas of the Zoo will be required to keep a yearly up-to-date TB test on file.

By completing this application you are authorizing any employers and listed references to give information concerning yourself, whether or not it is in their records, and you release them and their companies from any liability whatsoever.

You certify that all statements given on this application are correct, and realize that any falsification, omission of information or misrepresentation of this or any other personnel record may prevent the start of volunteer work. In the event of volunteering, you agree to abide by all present and subsequently issued rules of the Peoria Park District.
Peoria Zoo Volunteer Application

Name:____________________________________________________________________
Address:__________________________________________________________________
Primary Phone Number: _________________________________ Type:_________________
Secondary Phone Number:_______________________________ Type:_________________
Email Address:_________________________________________________________________

Are you a Peoria Zoo Member? ____Yes ____No
Are you currently a student? ____Yes ____No
Where/Anticipated Graduation Date: ________________________________

Highest Level of Education Completed: _______________________________________
Are you currently employed? ____Yes ____No
Where: ___________________________________________________________

Do you have any condition or disability for which you may require accommodation to perform the essential functions of a task or activity? ____ Yes ____No
If Yes, please explain________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________

Do you have any allergies/health concerns that may important in reference to zoo work? (Examples: Allergies to fur, bees, or hay) ____No ____Yes: _____________________________
Are you seeking to volunteer in order to satisfy court-ordered community service? ____Yes ____No (If yes, Peoria Zoo does not offer this type of volunteering experience, but there may be other opportunities within Peoria Park District.)
Do you have previous volunteer experience? ____No  ____Yes-Please list two most recent
Organization: ________________________________ When: _____________________________
Task Performed: _________________________________________________________________
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Do you have public speaking experience? ____No ____Yes, ____________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

Please Check if you have experience working with the following and explain how
____Animals ___________________________________________________________________
____Children ___________________________________________________________________
____Teenagers ___________________________________________________________________
____Adults ___________________________________________________________________

How did you hear about our volunteer program? ____________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

What interested you in volunteering? Check all that Apply
____Gaining Work Experience  ____Giving back to your community
____Interest in Animals  ____Learning more about possible careers
____Interest in conservation  ____Interest in working with the public
____Other-Explain: _______________________________________________________________

Why do you want to volunteer at Peoria Zoo? _______________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

Why would you be a good Peoria Zoo Volunteer? _________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________
Do you have an interest in a particular area of the zoo or particular a species of animal? ____________________________________________________________________________

Some areas of volunteering at Peoria Zoo will require an up-to-date yearly TB Test
Are you willing to provide an up-to-date yearly TB Test? ____Yes _____No

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor (crime involving dishonesty or violence) or a felony crime? ____Yes ____No If yes, describe: ____________________________

(Conviction will not necessarily be a bar to volunteering. Every instance and explanation will be considered individually.)

All regular volunteer assignments are contingent upon the successful completion of screening requirements, for example: background checks, driver abstract check and a drug screen.

_________________________ __________________________
Driver’s License or State IL Number/State Date of Birth

Your signature authorizes the investigation of all information pertaining to the screening items as may be necessary.

_________________________ __________________________
Signature of Volunteer Date