

Girls

Daisy Scouts

Tula

Build courage as we talk about things we think are scary. What are you afraid of? Here's the chance to break barriers and touch a (gulp!) cockroach, or maybe a snake. Be strong-you can do it!

• 1 hour

Critter Care

What does an animal need to live a healthy life? Are animal's needs the same as people's needs? Zookeepers need to know a lot about the animals they are tending. Join us as we explore the ins and outs of animal care. This program helps meet the requirements for Zinni and 3 Cheers for Animals.



• 1 hour

Brownie Scouts

Bugs

This activity-filled program will help your troop gain a greater appreciation for the world of bugs. Although they are tiny, insects have many amazing characteristics for us to explore. An insect-themed craft and a live insect to observe and touch are a part of every class.

• 1.5 hours

Pets

There are so many different types of pets available - how do you know which, if any, is right for you? In our Pets program, we'll learn all about how zookeepers take care of Cosley Zoo's horses, rabbits, chickens, and other domestic animals and investigate what it means to be a responsible pet owner.

• 1.25 hours

Senses

Explore your five senses with a zoo-themed twist! We'll be comparing and contrasting our senses to those of the animals living around us. How does your vision compare to an owl's or your hearing to a rabbit's? Come join us and find out!

• 1.25 hours

Junior Scouts

Animal Habitats



Discover and investigate the many different animal habitats that we have right here in Illinois! Every animal has its own needs and each habitat presents different challenges for the animals that live there. Learn what these challenges are and then create your very own

animal habitat! We'll also discuss endangered habitats, meet a live animal and learn what you can do to help protect animal habitats.

• 1.5 hours

Want to earn the Night Owl Badge? Why not do so during an overnight at the zoo? Wild Nights at Cosley Zoo are an experience you'll never forget. Visit cosleyzoo.org for more information.

Looking to meet requirements for something not listed? Let us know. We can customize a program for you.



COSLEY ZOO

Scout Program

Educational Opportunities



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Boys

Tiger Cubs

Learn About Animals

What does it eat? Where does it live? There are so many animals to see here at Cosley Zoo! Spend some time learning all the fascinating facts about some of them in this program. We might visit an owl, a draft horse, a snake, or any one of the other animals that live at the zoo. *(Electives 31 and 42)*

• **1 hour**

Milk and More

You'll meet our dairy cow, learn what she eats, and see how a milking machine works. Find out what happens to the milk to get it ready for the grocery store, and make some butter to take home. *(Electives 23, 42 and 44)*

• **1 hour**

Wolf Cubs

Birds

Kick off your work for elective 13 by discovering the world of birds at Cosley Zoo! Learn how to identify common birds and how to help birds in your backyard by providing proper food, nesting material and shelter. You'll also uncover what it takes to care for birds while having an upclose encounter. *(Elective 13)*

• **1 hour**



Bear Cubs

Farm Animals

Our zoo has lots of different animals! This program focuses on farm animals and their products. Experience what it is like to care for these animals by helping us feed the ducks or chickens. *(Elective 16)*

• **1 hour**



Sharing Your World with Wildlife

Animals and people often share space. Learn what an animal needs in order to make a place its home and find out more about people who work with animals. *(Achievement 5)*

• **1.5 hours**

Webelos

Naturalist

How can you identify the venomous and poisonous animals and plants found in your area? Where is the nearest flyway? And what is a consumer, producer, and decomposer? Cosley Zoo staff helps scouts earn the Naturalist component from the Outdoor Activity Badge Group as they receive new insight into the world of nature, practice identifying venomous reptiles, and discuss ways to help protect the natural world. *(Component of Outdoor Activity Badge Group)*

• **1.5 hours**

Program Fees

- \$7.50/participant (Minimum \$60)
- 1 chaperone for every 5 participants is free. Additional chaperones are \$7 each.

Cub Scout Wildlife Conservation Belt Loop

Let the staff at Cosley Zoo help your scouts earn their belt loop. We'll talk about the conservation of natural resources, meet an endangered species, and learn about the food chain.

• **1 hour**

Cub Scout Wildlife Conservation Academic Pin

Once your boys have earned the Wildlife Conservation Belt Loop, why not come to the zoo to earn the Academic Pin? While visiting the zoo, the boys will learn about camouflage, animal classification, and tracks with one of Cosley Zoo's knowledgeable staff members.

• **1.5 hours**

Other Details

- Programs offered 7 days a week, year-round.
- Climate controlled classroom.
- Minimum of 8 participants.
- Two-week notice is required to schedule a program.
- Don't see a program you want? Call us!
- Contact the Education Department at 630.665.5534 with your questions or to reserve your time.