

Zoo Birthday Recommended Itinerary



Please see the itinerary below to better help you prepare for your impawsibly fun birthday party at the Louisville Zoo! This itinerary is a suggestion; the booking parent may make changes as needed. Please feel free to discuss your party plan with the Zoo party host on the day of your event and we will be happy to make adjustments.

Morning or afternoon sessions are listed.

Thank you for celebrating your birthday at the Louisville Zoo!

10:30 a.m. / 2:00 p.m.

Party guests should meet their “Birthday with the Bears” Zoo Party Host at the Louisville Zoo’s front entrance, next to the Louisville Zoo sign. Party guests will then be escorted by their Zoo host to the party room located in Glacier Run. **Please have your group together as close to this time as possible** so that we may have time to walk at a leisurely pace. Please be prepared to transport all party items to the Glacier Run classroom at this time.

If you have guests who are late for your party, we may begin at a later time but due to time constraints, we will not be able to offer additional time for your group. Please discuss with your Zoo party host if you would like to wait for your remaining guests or wish to start on time without your entire group. It is the responsibility of the party parent to retrieve any late guests after the party has begun. Your party host will provide you with Zoo passes so they may be admitted at no additional fee.

(Please note that the Glacier Run classroom is a 10 – 15 minute walk from the main entrance, if you have small children, or members of your party who have difficulty walking please make arrangements to use strollers or wheelchairs if necessary. If you are unable to provide your own, both are available for rent inside the Zoo on our front plaza but must be reserved the day of your event. The Louisville Zoo is ADA accessible).

10:45 a.m. / 2:15 p.m.

Free time for party participants. Guests may place presents and belongings in the Glacier Run classroom as well as any food items. You will have time to explore our Glacier Run exhibit prior to the Bear Training session.

11:10 a.m. / 2:35 p.m.

Party guests are escorted to the Bear Training area. Please note, this training is a public demonstration, if you wish to omit this option from your party for more free time, please discuss with your party group.

11:15 a.m. / 2:45 p.m.

Bear Training Demonstration in Glacier Run

11:35 a.m. / 3:05 p.m.

Small animal presentation in Glacier Run Classroom — we’ll introduce you to some of our favorite arctic animals and give you an opportunity to see them up close.

12:00 – 12:45 p.m. / 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

Free time for party participants. If you have requested Zoo catering, it will be set up in the Glacier Run classroom at this time. Your Zoo host will remain available to you for any needs you may have during the remainder of your party.

Don’t forget, your Birthday with the Bears program includes FREE admission to the Louisville Zoo for every party participant, so feel free to visit our award-winning exhibits, cool off in our Papa John’s Splash Park and take advantage of our animal presentations throughout the day!