

Job Title: Animal Keeper	Last Date Modified: April 8, 2022
Exempt/Non-exempt: Non-Exempt	Part-Time
Schedule: Weekdays, Weekends, & Holidays	Minimum Hours: 24 per week. Starting rate is \$15 per hour.
Department: Animal Care/Programs	Supervisor Title: Animal Programs & Education Manager

The Animal Keeper is responsible for caring for domestic farm animals (sheep, goats, rabbits, pigs, donkeys, cows, etc.) and exotic animals (arachnids, parrots) including related cleaning and maintenance as well as assisting with general grounds and maintenance. The candidate for this position will be expected to do animal presentations for classroom visits and workshops.

<u>Job Duties</u>: *Duties may include but are not limited to:*

- Prepare and feed diets to the domestic and exotic animal collection.
- Clean, disinfect and assist in the maintenance and repair of animal exhibits.
- Prepare daily reports for domestic and exotic animal sections.
- Treat sick or injured animals as directed by veterinary staff and Animal Care Supervisor.
- Provide daily animal programs in conjunction with the Animal Care Supervisor, Program Manager, Membership Manager, and Guest Service Manager.
- Present animal programs to school classrooms.
- Teach Summer Fun Camp classes and workshops.
- Assist in special projects and activities.

<u>Job Skills/Experience Requirements</u>:

- Knowledge of animal behavior and history.
- Experience providing domestic animal care; paid experience preferred.
- At least one year of experience working with children in an educational setting (preferred)
- Interact with the public in a professional and courteous manner.
- Meet set deadlines and follow time schedules.
- Ability to work around and in close contact with animals daily.



Job Skills Desired:

- Self-Motivated and able to work with minimal supervision.
- Meet set deadlines and follow time schedules.
- Knowledge of first aid and safety practices (desired)
- General knowledge of yard maintenance, tools, and equipment.
- Understand and follow written and oral instructions and communicate clearly orally and in writing.

Education / Certifications:

• Completed courses in animal science, biology, zoology, or related fields (desired)

Job Abilities:

- Lift, carry and push or pull heavy objects up to 50 lbs.
- Applicants must be 18 years old at the date of hire or have completed high school or equivalent education.