

RIVERBANKS
ZOO AND GARDEN
SPRING ZOO CAMP 2012
TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

This form must accompany your Zoo Camp application(s). If you are requesting assistance for more than one child in the same family, only one Tuition Assistance Application is necessary. However, **you must complete a Spring Zoo Camp application and medical release and consent form for each child. Tuition assistance is restricted to attendance during the month of April 2012.** The application process is confidential. **IMPORTANT: You child is not enrolled in Spring Zoo Camp until you receive an emailed confirmation.**

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete a tuition assistance application (BOTH sides of this form; sections A, B, and C).
2. Complete a Spring Camp Registration Form for EACH camper attending.
3. Sign this form (on reverse).
4. A copy of previous year's federal tax return must be provided.
5. Mail, FAX or bring in all completed forms and payment together.
6. Confirmation will be emailed to you if your tuition assistance is granted and your child is enrolled in Zoo Camp.
7. Foster Families: The number of children in your household should include all dependent children. Your annual household income should include any foster care assistance you may receive.

DEADLINE: Tuition Assistance funds are extremely limited. Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration is also dependent on availability.

SECTION A COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING: Please print (all fields are required):

Camper's Name: _____
Address: _____
City State Zip: _____
Email: _____
Parent / Guardian Name: _____
Parent/Guardian Email (for confirmation letter): _____
Home Phone: _____
Employer: _____
Work Phone: _____
of children in family: _____
Annual household income: _____

SECTION B

PLEASE WRITE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION STATING THE REASONS YOU ARE REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. You may attach additional pages as necessary.

Please complete the reverse of the application.

SECTION C CALCULATE COSTS & ASSISTANCE:

1. Using the chart below, locate the percentage of assistance. This is the amount the Zoo can provide.

Household Income	# of Children in Family		
	1	2	3
\$35,300 - \$40,500	10%	15%	20%
\$30,100 - \$35,300	25%	30%	35%
\$24,901 - \$30,100	40%	45%	50%
\$19,701 - \$24,900	55%	60%	65%
\$14,501 - \$19,700	70%	75%	80%
\$14,500 or less	85%	90%	95%

If you have more than 3 children increase percentage awarded by 5% for each child. Total assistance cannot exceed 95%.

2. Write in the total cost for all children attending camp: (from camp registration form or Zoo's website) \$ _____

3. Enter appropriate assistance (from chart) in dollar form: \$ _____
HINT: To calculate percentages, multiply the total on line 2 by .10, .15, .20 etc.

4. Subtract the assistance on line 3 from the total on line 2: \$ _____

**The total on line 4 is the amount that must accompany your Tuition Assistance Application.
*Total cost should include camp fees and any extended stay-and-play fees.***

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please make sure all three sections (Sections A, B and C) are completed. Sign this application and send it to the Riverbanks Zoo along with the following:

- Spring Camp Registration Form for each child.
- Spring Camp Tuition Application Form.
- Medical Release and Consent Form for each child.
- A copy of previous year's federal tax return.
- Payment for all camp fees minus your assistance (line 4 of section B)
- Send to:

Riverbanks Zoo Camp Tuition Assistance
Riverbanks Zoo and Garden
PO Box 1060
Columbia SC 29202-1060

Please note: Riverbanks Zoo receives many requests for financial assistance; however our assistance fund is extremely limited. Although we try to accommodate as many requests as we can, it may not be possible to grant assistance to everyone. **Your child is not enrolled in Spring Zoo Camp until you receive an emailed confirmation.** Families who are not granted tuition assistance will have their entire application and payment mailed back to the mailing address provided on this form.