

Reid Park Zoo Camp Behavior Policy

In an effort to make sure all campers have an excellent camp experience, please review the behavior guidelines and camp expectations listed below with your camper before the first day of camp.

We are aware that situations requiring discipline may occur. Mutual respect will be shown for all participants. Expectations and potential consequences will be made known to each camper upon entry into camp and reviewed daily. Should any disciplinary action be necessary, the staff will do their best to handle these situations on an individual basis.

Zoo Camp Expectations:

1. Follow all directions given by any staff member.
2. Use walking feet in the zoo at all times.
3. Always stay with the group.
4. Show respect to everyone and everything.

Below are steps Camp Staff will follow if a situation occurs that needs to be addressed:

1. The camper will be spoken to in private in hopes that discussion and redirecting to another activity will correct the behavior. A warning will also be given.
2. If the discussion and redirection does not help, the camper will be removed from the group - but still in view of instructors - until the camper and instructor feel they are ready to return to the group or activity.
3. Should behavior continue, the parent/guardian will be notified to discuss next steps.
4. Should behavior continue, the parent/guardian will be notified to discuss dismissal from camp. Behaviors that will result in dismissal include:
 - i. Refusing to follow safety instructions given by staff or leaving designated safe areas without permission or supervision
 - ii. Bodily harm inflicted by the camper on other campers or camp staff

Upon pick-up, any discipline issues will be discussed in private with the parent/guardian.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

Camper Signature

Date