



# ALEXANDRIA ZOO STUDENT VOLUNTEER

## VOLUNTEER EXPECTATIONS



- I will greet everyone with a smile, wish everyone a Happy Halloween, and I will NOT scare anyone.



- I WILL NOT TOUCH OR GRAB ANYONE in any way, unless someone is in danger of being injured.



- If I see an injured visitor, someone needing assistance, someone behaving unruly, or a visitor under the influence of drugs or alcohol, I will get a good description and report this immediately to a Zoo Staff member, security officer, or Sheriff's Deputy. Other than assisting a visitor I will not try to handle these situations on my own.



- If a child is separated from his/her parent(s), I will stay calm and find one of the Zoo Staff members or workers to assist me.



- I WILL NOT spend the day on my cell phone – ABSOLUTELY NO texting or making phone calls unless it is a life or death emergency.



- I promise to stay where a Zoo Staff member places me and I WILL NOT leave my station until the end of my shift when a Zoo Staff member tells me my shift is finished. I WILL NOT LEAVE TO VISIT FRIENDS AT OTHER LOCATIONS.



- If I need to go to the restroom, I will find the supervisor in that area PRIOR to going and will make sure it is okay for me to go at that time.



- I understand I must bring water with me to my location and that I will not be allowed to go and get water repeatedly throughout my shift. **To help us achieve our sustainability mission, please bring your own reusable water bottle.**



- I understand that workers abusing Zoo property including equipment, costumes, scenery, props, animals, etc. will be asked to leave. At the end of my shift, I will return any shirts, costumes, props, etc that have been loaned to me. I understand I am financially responsible for items that are damaged or not returned.



- I understand that any students behaving badly or not following the rules will be reported to their school principal, teacher and/or parent and WILL NOT receive service hours for being here.

- I will arrive on time and will not leave my post until authorized by zoo staff. If I arrive late, I understand I may not be allowed to stay and volunteer.

- **I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THAT THE ZOO STAFF HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ASK VOLUNTEERS TO LEAVE IF THEY ARE NOT ABIDING BY THE ABOVE RULES.**



**Volunteers Enter at Education Center Street Entrance**



# ALEXANDRIA ZOO STUDENT VOLUNTEER WAIVER

As the student volunteer, I have read and understand the Zoo Boo Volunteer Expectations.

**I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THAT THE ZOO STAFF HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ASK VOLUNTEERS TO LEAVE IF THEY ARE NOT ABIDING BY THE RULES AND EXPECTATIONS.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Volunteer Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
School

\_\_\_\_\_  
Age

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Volunteer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## PARTICIPATION WAIVER FOR STUDENTS 18 & OLDER

I, the student volunteer listed above, agree to participate as a volunteer at Alexandria Zoo's Zoo Boo.

I agree to assume all risks of participating in this event and do hereby release, hold harmless, and forever discharge the City of Alexandria and Friends of the Alexandria Zoo, their employees, officials and volunteers from any and all causes of actions, claims, costs and demands that I may have individually or on behalf of the minor child, by reason of any harm, accident, injury, or illness arising out of Zoo Boo.

Should it be necessary for me to have medical treatment while participating in this event, and my emergency contact cannot be reached, my signature below gives the City of Alexandria and Friends of the Alexandria Zoo personnel permission to use judgment in obtaining medical treatment for me and grants medical personnel consent to provide any medical treatment deemed necessary and appropriate. By signing below, I indicate my understanding that the City of Alexandria does not have insurance covering the cost of medical or hospital services for me and that any such cost will be my sole responsibility.

\_\_\_\_\_  
STUDENT VOLUNTEER SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

## PARTICIPATION WAIVER FOR STUDENTS UNDER 18

I \_\_\_\_\_, parent or guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ hereby give the permission necessary for my child to volunteer at Alexandria Zoo's Zoo Boo.

I have read the Student Volunteer Expectations and understand that the Zoo Staff has the authority to ask my child to leave if they are not abiding by the rules.

I agree, individually and on behalf of the minor child, to assume all risks of participating in this event and do hereby release, hold harmless, and forever discharge the City of Alexandria and Friends of the Alexandria Zoo, their employees, officials and volunteers from any and all causes of actions, claims, costs and demands that I may have individually or on behalf of the minor child, by reason of any harm, accident, injury, or illness arising out of Zoo Boo.

Should it be necessary for your child to have medical treatment while participating in this event, and a parent/guardian cannot be reached, your signature below gives the City of Alexandria and Friends of the Alexandria Zoo personnel permission to use judgment in obtaining medical treatment for your child and grants medical personnel consent to provide any medical treatment deemed necessary and appropriate. By signing below, you indicate your understanding that the City of Alexandria and Friends of the Alexandria Zoo does not have insurance covering the cost of medical or hospital services for your child and that any such cost will be your sole responsibility.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

Return this signed form to Alexandria Zoo at Volunteer Check-in the day of Zoo Boo.  
A completed and signed form is required to volunteer.





# ALEXANDRIA ZOO STUDENT VOLUNTEER



**Saturday, October 18, 2025**

(Rain Alternate Date Saturday, October 25)

Alexandria Zoo is looking for enthusiastic High School and College students interested in helping make Zoo Boo a spooktacular Halloween experience.

Volunteers dress in costumes and assist with games and activities. The Zoo provides all costumes.

## Register Online

If you sign up, we're counting on you to show up. Please pick a shift that fits into your schedule.

SHIFT TIMES	BE AT STATION
9:30 AM - 12:45 PM	9:55 AM
12:15 PM - 3:30 PM	12:40 PM
3:30 PM - 6:15 PM	3:25 PM

**CHECK-IN TABLE:** Sign-in, turn in signed rules form, receive armband.  
**LATE ARRIVALS:** You may be replaced and may not be able to volunteer.



## End of Shift

A staff member will let you know when you can leave your station and return to Volunteer Central. Please head to the Costume Rooms to return any shirts/costumes/props issued to you and sign out.

## SERVICE HOURS & SNACKS

Complimentary food and beverages are served at the end of each shift. Service hour completion slips can be picked up when you turn in your costumes and sign out.



**SCAN TO REGISTER**  
[www.thealexandriazoo.com/ZooBooVolunteers.html](http://www.thealexandriazoo.com/ZooBooVolunteers.html)



**THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!**

QUESTIONS? Email [zoo.education@cityofalex.com](mailto:zoo.education@cityofalex.com)