



REFERENCE

Due no later than 5 p.m. March 1st

Complete & return to: ZooTeen Office • Oregon Zoo • 4001 SW Canyon Road • Portland, OR 97221
Phone (503) 220-2449 • FAX (503) 220-5712

Attention Applicant

Put your name on this form then give it to a teacher, or if home schooled an adult (other than a relative), at least two weeks prior to the application deadline along with a stamped envelope addressed to the zoo. Ask them to mail it as soon as possible since no application will be reviewed without a letter of reference.

Please remember to thank them for their help.

For the Adult Giving the Reference

The applicant below is applying to the ZooTeen program at the Oregon Zoo. ZooTeens is a summer program for teenagers entering the 9th-12th grade, who have an interest in animals and the environment. The applicants we select should show a desire and ability to teach others and willingness to commit to the summer long program. The focus of the work is public education. Although ZooTeens are trained to handle some animals, the majority of their time will be spent interacting with Zoo visitors.

We would appreciate your candid responses, which will be kept confidential. Your comments will aid us in selecting a committed group of teens. Thank you for your valuable time and assistance.

If you have any questions regarding the program, please call the ZooTeen office at (503) 220-2449.

Please Print

Applicant's Name _____ Date _____

Adult's Name _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what capacity have you known the applicant? _____

I recommend this applicant to the ZooTeen program (*circle one*)

With great enthusiasm

With confidence

With some confidence

With reservation

Please fill out both sides of this form

Please Evaluate the Applicant

SCALE: U = unknown 1 = below average 2 = fair 3 = average 4 = good 5 = excellent 6 = outstanding

Oral communication skills	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ability to analyze a problem	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Common sense	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Curiosity	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Creativity	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Dependability	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Sense of responsibility	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Self motivation	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Perseverance	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ability to work independently	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Reaction to criticism	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Regard for authority	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Regard for the rules	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Cooperation	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Adaptability	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Sense of feeling for others	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Behavior in a group	U	1	2	3	4	5	6
Ability to follow directions	U	1	2	3	4	5	6

Do you know of any special interests, qualities, abilities or experience this applicant has which would be helpful for us to be aware of? _____

Adult's Signature _____ Phone _____