



# **OVERNIGHT INFORMATION**

**Welcome!**

Thank you for participating in the Overnight Program at the Fresno Chaffee Zoo. We excited to have you experience this great program.

Enclosed you will find the following:

1. Chaperone Information
2. Your Itinerary
3. Driving/Parking Information
4. Tent Specifications
5. Prohibited Items List
6. Recommended Equipment

If you have any questions prior to the event, please call us at 559-498-5920 or email us at [education@fresnochaffeezoo.org](mailto:education@fresnochaffeezoo.org).

## 1.Chaperone Information:

Thank you for taking the time to chaperone your group at the Fresno Chaffee Zoo, we hope you have a wonderful experience. To ensure the best experience for your group and other guests, we ask that chaperones be responsible for the following:

- Please maintain your group at all times, this includes awareness of your group's location and maintain supervision of your group at all times. Please ensure that your group's behavior is appropriate and respectful to our Fresno Chaffee Zoo, it's animals, plants and employees.
- Please assist in distributing wristbands and supplies to your group.
- Be aware of your group itinerary included, your event has activities that will only occur during scheduled times.
- Please report ALL injuries to a Zoo Staff Member.

## 2. Your Itinerary

### **Friday:**

4:00 PM-4:30 PM- Group Leader arrival and set up.

4:30 PM-5:30 PM- Group arrives at Grove Gate (see map attached) and sets up tents. All cars moved into Overflow Parking Lot, this will be locked for evening at 8:00 PM. Set up camp in Education Grove.

5:30 PM-6:00 PM- Safety Meeting at Bird show (required) and group dinner on your own.

6:00 PM-7:00 PM- Zoo Talk in Education Classroom nighttime.

7:00 PM-9:00 PM- Finish setting up camp. Zoo pillowcase craft and Zoo Talk At Education Grove Area. Nighttime snack at Education Building.

9:00 PM-10:00 PM- "Zoo At Night Tour" with Education Staff.

10:00 PM-10:30 PM- Return to camp and get ready for bed.

10:30 PM-Lights out at Education Grove.

## 2. Your Itinerary (Continued)

### Saturday:

6:30 AM-8:15 AM- Camp gate is open and coffee is available at 6:00am. Enjoy breakfast at the Education Center. Pack up camp, load cars and prepare for zoo visit.

8:15 AM-8:30 AM- Group departs Education Grove and begins Behind the Scenes Tour.

8:30 AM-9:30 AM-Group Behind the Scenes Tour.

9:30 AM-4:00 PM- Group enjoys free time in zoo, visit Twiga Terrace to feed giraffes and Stingray Bay to touch stingrays using your wristbands.

## 3. Driving and Parking Information

The Fresno Chaffee Zoo's address is 894 E. Belmont Ave, Fresno CA 93728. You will **not be entering through the main entrance.**

You will enter through the Grove Gate in the Education center.

Please use map attached to get more clarification on where to enter and where to park.

All vehicles will be parked behind a locked gate overnight, these gates will remain locked until 6:00 AM. Prior to parking in the lot, you will be able to unload at Grove Gate. Please do not leave any valuables in your vehicles.

## 4. Tent and Camp Area Specifications

Each group must bring their own tent(s). There will be designated areas for tents to be set up, there will be a required open space that must be remain open at all times for emergency services. We will work with your group to ensure that your space needs are met.

Please note:

- Staked Tents are allowed
- Tents with rain flies are recommended
- Each tent should use a 10' x 10' space, if possible
- Please have entrance into tent facing the walkway

#### 4. Tent and Camp Area Specifications

- Please respect our space and spaces while on grounds, all trash should be thrown in receptacles.
- There is limited electricity in the camp area. Limited electricity is available for phone charging in nearby buildings. If you need reliable electricity for medical reasons, please reach out to staff as soon as possible.

#### 5. Camp Site Map (see below)

#### 6. Prohibited Items and Activities

Fresno Chaffee Zoo requests that you adhere to our policies about the prohibited items below. You will be arriving after Zoo Hours, you must remain in the Education Grove unless escorted by a Fresno Chaffee Zoo Staff Member. For your safety and the safety of others, please leave these items below:

- Feeding or disturbing the animals, including throwing objects, tapping or banging on habitat glass, or playing music in the Zoo
- Entering non-public areas
- Climbing on trees, picking flowers, and disturbing the landscape
- Weapons of any kind-firearms, airsoft guns, knives, pepper spray/mace.
- Destructive outdoor equipment-shovels, digging equipment, saws, axes, picks or hatchets.
- Cooking or fire equipment-gas, charcoal or wood stoves, sterno stoves, and open flames.
- Any glass containers.
- Any balloons.
- Unmanned Aircraft Systems (drones) or any similar remote-controlled vehicles/flying devices without prior approval.

## 6. Prohibited Items and Activities

- Flammable liquids and gases, fireworks, ammunitions, explosive devices, and related materials
- Restricted game or play equipment-horse shoes, skates, skate boards, bicycles or motorized vehicles. No heeie or wheeled shoes are allowed.
- No pets of any kind except service animals. If you are bringing a service animal, please reach out to staff as soon as possible.
- No alcohol or controlled substances.
- No smoking, vaping, e-cigarettes or use of tobacco products. Please note that there is no access outside of the camping area (Education Grove), and no exiting to smoke or vape during this event.
- No campfires or other type of burning equipment.

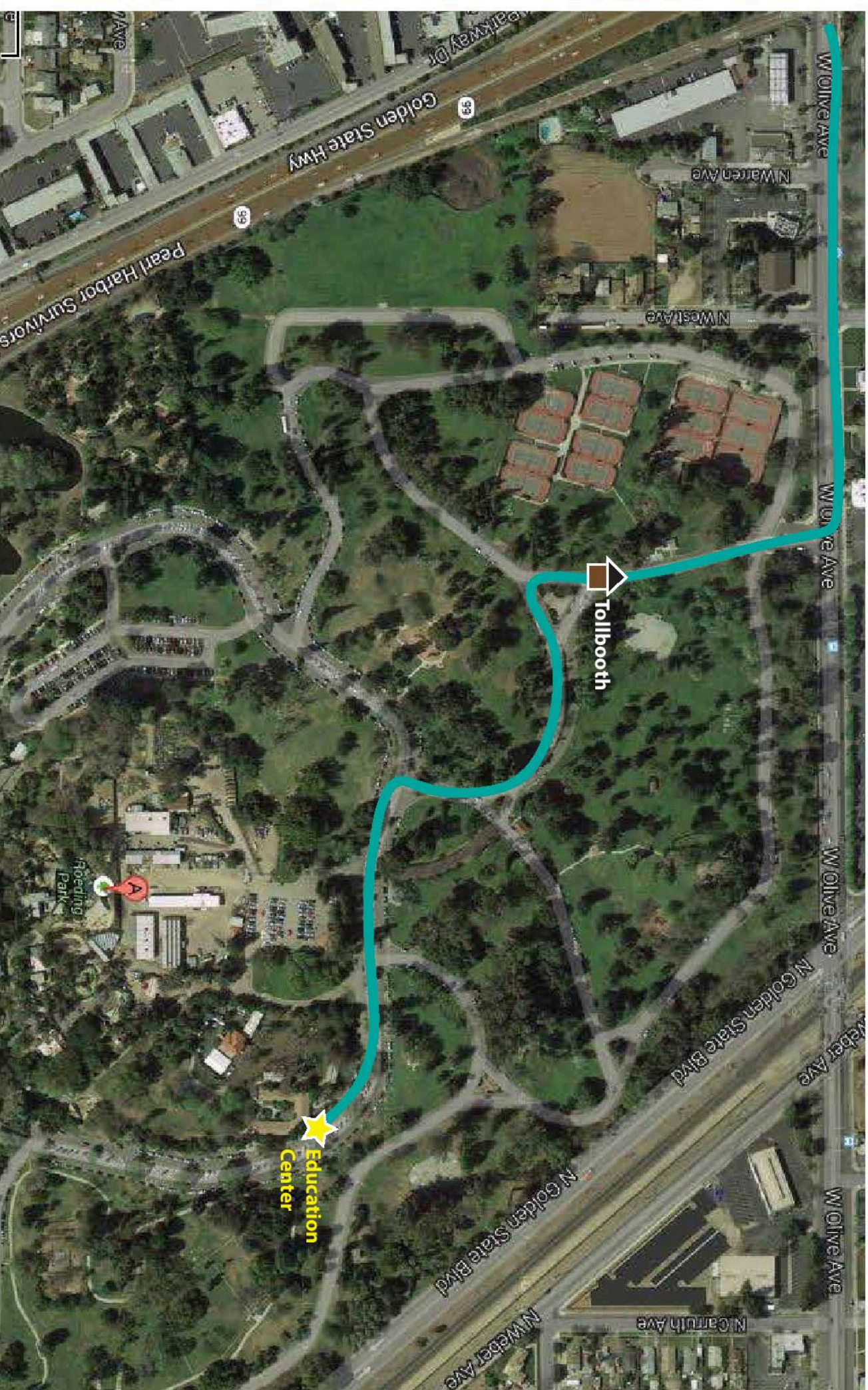
## 7. Recommended Equipment

- Tent with rain fly
- Ground cover/tarp
- Sleeping pad or mattress (limited electricity available near camping area)
- Sleeping bag (rated for expected weather) and pillow
- Camp chair
- Battery operated light source- flashlight, lantern or headlamp
- Clothing (pajamas, clothing for zoo visit on Saturday)
- Closed toe shoes (required for the Behind the Scenes Tour)
- Wagon (for unloading and loading)
- Toiletries and hand towel
- Any medications needed
- Insect repellent and sunscreen
- Reusable water bottle





## Directions to Fresno Chaffee Zoo's Education Center from Olive Ave.







**A-Drop off gear at this gate.**

**B-Overnight parking behind locked gate.**

