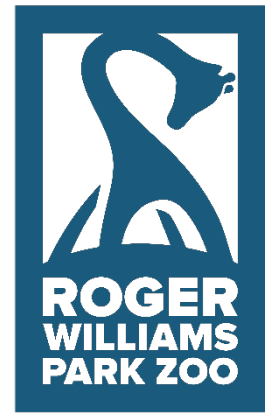


SNORE & ROAR

CHAPERONE INFORMATION



Thank you. Your child may not have said it yet, but we will. Thank you for chaperoning this experience. With your help it will be a wonderful overnight your group won't forget!

Chaperones, you are key to making your Snore & Roar experience at Roger Williams Park Zoo a success! It is important that chaperones are interested in participating in this unique adventure *with* the children. If learning is fun and important to the chaperones, it will be fun and important to the children, too.

- ★ **Encourage participants to listen, ask questions, and observe.** Your attentive behavior will encourage the children to have fun and learn at the same time. Ask children to respect other participants and educators by listening and keeping their hands to themselves.
- ★ **Be ready and willing to participate** in activities, games, and animal encounters with the children.
- ★ On tours, **help keep the group together and safe.** Be sure everyone stays on the walkways, behind barriers, off fences and rocks and follow the tour leader.
- ★ **Turn cell phones off or on silent** during the program. Personal calls and texts can be disruptive to the experience.
- ★ **Remain with Zoo staff at all times.** Your group may be the only ones at the Zoo! This makes it very important for everyone's safety to stay together.
- ★ Reinforce that **all participants, staff, and zoo inhabitants are to be treated with respect.** While we feel confident that your group members will conduct themselves with respectful behavior, any behavior by adult or child deemed inappropriate by RWPZoo staff may be cause for dismissal from the program *without a refund*. Smoking and alcohol consumption at any time or place during the Snore & Roar program are expressly prohibited.
- ★ Due to logistics involved, **all participants must arrive with a registered chaperone.** You will be entering the zoo complex via a staff gate and will be parking within the zoo's perimeter fencing. Parents not staying at the zoo are not able to drop off their participant. The participant must arrive with one of the registered chaperones. Please be sure that all belongings and participants can safely be accommodated in your chaperone's vehicles. All belongings and participants will be relocated to the main parking lot in the morning to reconvene with your educator for morning programming.
- ★ All chaperones will be staging their vehicles just outside the zoo before your program begins. Please see the directions and map on the next page for more specific details.

FAQ's

Can I bring payment and forms with me on the night of our event? No. To ensure a smooth, stress free, and successful event it is necessary that we receive the final payment, and everyone's registration information two weeks before your scheduled overnight.

Can we bring vegetables, salad, fruit, etc to supplement the meals? Of course! A refrigerator will be available to store leftovers or items for breakfast.

Will there be a place for smoking? No. Due to Rhode Island state law and for the health and safety of zoo animals and visitors, all zoo buildings and grounds are smoke free.

SNORE & ROAR ARRIVAL

*****Important***Important***Important:** This is not the Zoo's main entrance. Even if you are familiar with the Zoo, *please* follow these directions, not your GPS or signs.

From the North – Traveling 1-95 South

- ★ Take Exit 34, Elmwood Ave
- ★ Left at light onto Elmwood Ave.
- ★ Stay in the left lane to travel under the overpass, through the traffic light, and take a left into Roger Williams Park at the brick pillars. Baseball fields will be on your right and a bus stop adjacent to the brick pillars.
- ★ After entering the park, follow one-way traffic around the Rose Garden, consistently bearing left until you see the Snore and Roar Sign.
- ★ All chaperones should stage their vehicles along the right side of the road until your educator arrives to check you in at 6:00PM. Do not block traffic and do not unload your vehicles, you will be driving them into the zoo to unpack.

From the South - Traveling 1-95 North

- ★ Take Exit 33 & bear right towards Elmwood Ave.
- ★ At the bottom of the exit ramp turn left onto Elmwood Ave.
- ★ Cross under the overpass and continue through one traffic light.
- ★ Take the next right into Roger Williams Park (after the bus stop).
- ★ After entering the park, follow one-way traffic around the Rose Garden, consistently bearing left until you see the Snore and Roar Sign.
- ★ All chaperones should stage their vehicles along the right side of the road until your educator arrives to check you in at 6:00PM. Do not block traffic and do not unload your vehicles, you will be driving them into the zoo to unpack.



Overnight staff will greet you at your vehicles promptly at 6:00 PM. Because the zoo is closed to the public at this time, no early access can be granted so please remain in your vehicles until greeted.

To contact the Overnight Program Coordinator after 5:00 PM on the night of your event, please call **401-785-3510 ext. 393**

COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

Background:

Snore and Roar overnight programs at Roger Williams Park Zoo are privately booked events and are not combined with other 'unrelated' groups by RWPZ. They include games, activities, and educational programming both indoors and outdoors and include visits with live animals. Participants share common restroom facilities and a large indoor sleeping space during the overnight portion of the program.

Vaccines and Testing:

- We encourage all visitors and participants to follow CDC and RIDOH guidelines, recommendations, and schedules regarding COVID-19 vaccinations and testing.
- RWPZ will **not** be requiring proof of vaccinations or a negative test as a condition of participation. It is up to each individual organization/group and their leaders to implement and manage such a requirement should they choose to, or it becomes necessary.

Symptomatic Participants:

- Any person exhibiting known COVID-19 symptoms will be asked to leave and will not be permitted to stay and participate in the remainder of the program.
- Those symptoms include, but are not limited to: Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea.
- This policy will be enforced regardless of vaccination status, masking, and/or the presence of a negative test result.

COVID Protocols:

RWPZ has also adopted the following COVID-19 mitigation strategies as they relate to Snore and Roars.

- We sanitize Snore and Roar equipment, spaces, and supplies before and after all Snore and Roar programs and as necessary throughout the program.
- We have taken steps to ensure the HVAC system is providing adequate filtration and air turnover for the building. RWPZ also provides a supplemental HEPA filtration unit to be utilized in the shared classroom/sleeping space for the duration of the program.
- We ask that chaperones assist in limiting restroom occupancy to 3 persons when readying for bed or beginning their morning. This will help mitigate potential spread while brushing teeth, etc. when risk of transmission is higher.
- Participants are asked to spread out their sleeping arrangements from other households.
- All groups/participants are expected to be aware of and follow current CDC/RIDOH COVID-19 guidelines and recommendations.

Inherent Risk:

While we hope that personal responsibility and this layered approach to our mitigation strategies will help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all, it does not eliminate the risk of exposure to or contraction of COVID-19 or any other communicable illness or disease. All participants/parents/leaders, by participating or allowing their child to participate in a Snore and Roar program, accept these inherent risks and assume full responsibility for them, even those that are not explicitly outlined here. Roger Williams Park Zoo reserves the right to update these policies as the pandemic continues to evolve.

GETTING FROM OVERNIGHT PARKING TO MAIN GATE

ON DAY 2



1. EXIT VIA GATE 3 AND TURN LEFT ONTO LINDEN AVENUE.
2. FOLLOW ONE WAY TRAFFIC AROUND THE VICTORIAN ROSE GARDEN.
3. TURN RIGHT, AFTER PASSING THE BETSEY WILLIAMS COTTAGE.
4. HEAD DOWN THE HILL AND ENTER THE TRAFFIC CIRCLE TAKING THE SECOND EXIT FOLLOWING SIGNS FOR ROGER WILLIAMS PARK ZOO.
5. PASS POLO LAKE WITH THE SWAN BOATS AND TAKE A LEFT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ROGER WILLIAMS PARK ZOO SIGN.
6. PARK IN ANY AVAILABLE PARKING IN THE FIRST LOT AND MEET OVERNIGHT STAFF.