



Distance Learning with San Antonio Zoo

Interactive, TEKS aligned distance learning programs are perfect for supporting Texas school standards, while enjoying the zoo from your air-conditioned classroom – wherever that may be!

Each topic includes a live presentation by a zoo educator, lots of cool photos, a close look at bio facts (such as feathers), and an animal presentation.

Group sizes are limited to allow for an engaging program with plenty of student interaction. Choose from a selection of topics to make the most of your virtual zoo adventure.

Classroom Program: \$125/up to 30 participants

Assembly Program: \$175/up to 95 device logins

Time: 45-minute program, available Tuesday – Friday, flexible start time

Add-ons available

Distance Learning Add-ons

Cost: \$50/add-on

Time: Add an additional 15 minutes to a Distance Learning program

- Exhibit Exploration – go on a brief guided tour of select animal habitats.
- Behind-the-Scenes Visit – go behind-the-scenes for a special animal close-up at one of our animal habitats.
- Animal Enrichment – learn about animal welfare and help zoo staff prepare enrichment for one of our animal ambassadors, then watch them explore their enrichment.

Distance Learning Programs are scheduled upon request; please contact education@sazoo.org to schedule.

Please find the available topics, as well as grade and TEKS information on the following page.



Distance Learning Themes, Grade Levels & TEKS

Kindergarten – 12th Grade

Giants of Africa

Description: The African Savanna is home to the largest concentration of megafauna anywhere in the world! Get to know some of the largest animals in the world and the sometimes-weird adaptations that allow them to survive in an ecosystem full of competition.

Science TEKS:

K-2 (K.9.A, K.9.B, K.10.B, 1.9.A, 1.9.C, 1.10.A, 2.9.A, 2.9.B, 2.9.C, 2.10.A)

3-5 (3.9.A, 3.9.B, 3.9.C, 3.10.A, 4.9.A, 4.9.B, 4.10.A, 4.10.B, 5.9.A, 5.9B, 5.9.C)

6-8 (6.12.E, 6.12.F, 7.10.B, 7.10.C, 7.11.B, 7.12.A, 8.11.A, 8.11.B)

Kindergarten – 2nd Grade

Animal Wrappers

Description: Animals come in many different coverings, just like some of your favorite snacks! Students will investigate animals with fur, feathers and scales and discover how those coverings help animals survive in different environments and how scientists classify living things based on their similarities.

Science TEKS: K-2 (K.9.A, K.10.A, K.10.B, 1.9.A, 1.10.A, 2.9.A, 2.10.A)

3rd Grade – 5th Grade

Who Eats Who?

Description: For animals living in the wild it is eat or be eaten! Students will investigate how animals in different ecosystems interact with one another, construct their own food chains, and predict how just one missing piece can affect the whole ecosystem.

Science TEKS: 3-5 (3.9.A, 3.9.B, 3.10.A, 4.9.A, 4.9.B, 5.9.A, 5.9.B, 5.9.C, 5.10.A)

6th Grade – 12th Grade

Wild Careers

Description: What does it take to run a zoo and secure a future for wildlife? Students will discover the diverse roles that dedicated staff play in the work of zoos and aquariums from animal care, conservation, guest experience, and development and marketing. Each person and their passion for nature makes a difference

Science TEKS: 6-8 (6.3.D, 7.3.D, 8.3.D)