NIABI ZOO2U

The mission of the Niabi Zoo is to connect the community with the natural world through conservation leadership and engaging educational experiences. We promote learning and appreciation through outreach programming by bringing a variety of animals to the public through interactive educational presentations. Students are assessed after each program with a Knowledge Review to track progress.

Afterschool Adventures 10 Program Curriculum

- 1. **Animal Superpowers** See the strange and amazing ways that animals have physically adapted to their environment to find food, protect themselves, hunt, and to attract a mate. After this program, you are sure to know that superpowers do exist!
- 2. **Dinosaurs Alive!** Meet the creatures that survived the dinosaur extinction 65 million years ago. This program looks at surviving reptiles from the age of dinosaurs as well as the change in dinosaurs through time resulting in today's modern birds. Examine dinosaur fossils, bird and reptile artifacts and live animals to see that dinosaurs are still with us today!
- 3. **Creatures of the Night** What is a nocturnal animal? Why would an animal want to come out at night instead of during the day? How do animals get around, hunt, or protect themselves at night? Learn the answers to these questions while interacting with real creatures of the night.
- 4. **Offense vs. Defense** Some animals are equipped for offensive attack while others are equipped to make a defensive stand. Find out the fascinating physical and behavioral ways animals survive in this epic game. Which side will your cheer for, Offense or Defense?
- 5. **Going Native** Learn about the wild animals in your own back yard! The changing face of the landscape by humans has reduced population sizes and species diversity. Find out what you can do to help! Explore animal artifacts and meet your wild neighbors up close!
- 6. **Nature's Soundtrack** What kind of sounds do animals make? Why do they make them? This program helps to answer these questions by bringing recorded sounds of the animals that people are not likely to hear. Animal sounds mean many things and hearing them while meeting the animal that makes them broadcasts a whole new level of understanding about the musical side of nature.
- 7. Ocean Adventure The creatures of the sea have bizarre shapes and forms. Through the use of preserved specimens, participants can interact with sea horses, coral, sea stars, shark teeth, a squid beak, an eel skull and more! We are directly connected to the oceans by the Mississippi River. Learn about our impact on the oceans and how we can help protect the world's most precious natural resource.
- 8. What's for Dinner? What do animals eat in the wild? Where does the food come from? Why do some animals eat plants only while others only eat other animals while some eat both? Participants will learn about all the vores (carni, herbi, omni) and meet an animal example of each.
- 9. Where the Wild Things Are Explore what animals need to survive and their different environments and how all ecosystems are a connected system on Earth. Learn about how the adaptations of animals are a response to their environment and how water shapes every biome from oceans to mountains and from rainforests to deserts.
- 10. **Wild About Animals** This is the big review program! Participants will review what they have learned in all previous programs and meet some old friends!

Pricing: This 10 program curriculum series qualifies for the 10% multi-program discount based on the standard rates \$290 per program up to 50 participants or \$340 per program for up to 100 participants.

- \$2900 10% (\$290) =**\$2610 (\$261** per program) for up to **50** participants.
- \circ \$3400 10% (\$340) = \$3060 (\$306 per program) for up to 100 participants.

