Want to gain valuable life, job, and college skills?  
Want to do something different?

Join Brookfield Zoo’s  
King Conservation Science Scholars Program.

**WHAT WE OFFER:**
- Workshops on animals, conservation, college, and careers
- Courses for college credit
- Projects that give back to your community
- Access to seasonal jobs at Brookfield Zoo and to college scholarships in your senior year
- Caring staff in a safe and fun atmosphere
- Flexible scheduling to accommodate your school, home, and work schedules
- A Ventra card to get to trainings in Chicago and at the zoo

**WHAT YOU GAIN:**
- Fun experiences, the chance to meet new people, and learning opportunities
- Training and workshops in Chicago and at Brookfield Zoo
- Public speaking skills
- Help with special events and projects at the zoo and in your community
- 120 hours a year spent as a King Conservation Science Scholar
- An annual portfolio for your work

*Please note: You must have a 2.0 GPA and be entering grade 9, 10, or 11.*

**INTERESTED?**
Recruitment opens February through April for the spring and August through October for the fall. Applications will only be accepted during these recruitment periods.
PART A: Please complete Sections 1, 2, and 3.

1 PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: ______________________________________
         Last       First       Middle

Address:_________________________________________
         Street Address
         City  State  Zip

Home Phone: (             ) _________________________

Age: _____      Birth Date: _______________________

Student Email Address: ________________________________

Parent/Guardian Name: ______________________________________

Parent/Guardian Work/Cell Phone: (             )  ______________________

Parent/Guardian Email Address: ________________________________

PART B: Please complete.

✓ APPLICATION CHECKLIST Please make sure to submit all of the following with your application:

☐ Entire application completed in dark ink
☐ Counselor verification with signature
☐ Completed essay
☐ Two letters of recommendation or verification of them being requested
☐ Your signature and a parent’s signature

How did you hear about the King Conservation Science Scholars Program?

Shirt Size: ☐ S  ☐ M  ☐ L  ☐ XL

2 SCHOOL INFORMATION

In the space below, your guidance counselor must verify that your GPA is at least 2.0.*

Current School: _____________________________________________

Current Grade Level: _______________________________________

Expected Year of Graduation: _________________________________

This student has at least a 2.0 GPA. ____________________________

Signature of School Counselor*

* If homeschooled, please provide documentation indicating achievement level.

3 SELF REFLECTION

Submit an essay for the prompt. Your essay may be typed or handwritten. The back of this page may be used.

Essay must be at least 500 words.

Pick an animal with which you think you share characteristics. Explain your reasons.

I certify that all of the application information is correct.

__________________________________________________________

Your Signature

__________________________________________________________

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Completed applications must be postmarked by:
   April 29, 2016 for the spring, October 28, 2016 for fall.
   No dropoffs will be accepted.

Send applications to:
   King Conservation
   Scholars Program
   Attn: Scholars Application
   Chicago Zoological Society
   3300 Golf Rd.
   Brookfield, IL 60513
   Fax: (708) 688-7945
   Email: scholars@czs.org

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Chicago Zoological Society 🐘
**STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS**

Provide this form to an adult outside your family who can serve as a reference.

**RECOMMENDER INSTRUCTIONS**

Please complete both the front and back of this form.

Student’s Name: ______________________________________________________________________________

First      Last

Your Name: __________________________________________________________________________________

First      Last

Your Title/Organization: ________________________________________________________________________

How do you know the student? __________________________________________________________________

How long have you known the student? ___________________________________________________________

Your phone number/email in the event we have questions:

Phone: (             ) _____________________________________________________________________________

Email Address: ________________________________________________________________________________

**RECOMMENDER’S ASSESSMENT**

On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate the student on the following statements:
1=Does not describe this student at all; 3=Somewhat describes this student; 5=Very clearly describes this student.

a. This student has many skills/qualities to contribute to the King Conservation Science Scholars Program.

b. This student would gain many skills and grow from participating in this program.

c. This student is extremely reliable.

 d. This student is very creative.

  e. This student regularly puts forth good effort.

On a separate sheet of paper, please provide details on any of the above statements and tell us why you think this student should be selected to be part of the Chicago Zoological Society’s King Conservation Science Scholars Program.

Please return both this sheet and your separate letter to the student for submission by the deadline:
April 29, 2016 for the spring, October 28, 2016 for fall

or send directly to:
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Chicago Zoological Society
3300 Golf Road  Fax: 708-688-7945
Brookfield, IL 60513 Email: scholars@czs.org

Thank you for your time and honest feedback!
LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION
(Must be returned by appropriate due date.)

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