



2025 Recommendation Form

Student's Name _____

The student above is applying for membership to the Dickerson Park Zoo's Zoo Crew volunteer program. We appreciate your candid responses to the questions below, which will be kept confidential. As a member of the Zoo Crew, the student will have an opportunity to work with zookeepers learning the care and management of a wide variety of exotic species.

The volunteer opportunities will be year-round. **This reference form must be emailed directly to amarler@springfieldmo.gov or please place the letter in a sealed envelope with your signature across the flap and mail to the address below.**

We appreciate your time and assistance. If you have any questions about the program, please contact April Marler (amarler@springfieldmo.gov, 417-874-2418)

Teacher's Name _____ E-mail Address _____

School _____ Phone _____

Subjects Taught _____

1. When did you last teach this student? _____

2. In what capacity and for how long have you known this student? _____

3. Do you know of any special interests, qualities, abilities or experiences of this applicant which would be helpful for us to know?

4. Do you feel this student would be able to commit to working 16 hours/month at the zoo?



5. Please evaluate the student to the best of your abilities by circling the appropriate number/letter.

1=Outstanding 2=Excellent 3=Good 4=Average 5=Fair 6=Below Average U=Unknown

COMMUNICATION SKILLS	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
COMMON SENSE	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
CREATIVITY	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
DEPENDABILITY	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
SELF MOTIVATION	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
REGARD FOR AUTHORITY	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
COOPERATION	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
ABILITY TO FOLLOW DIRECTIONS	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS	1	2	3	4	5	6	U
SAFETY AWARENESS	1	2	3	4	5	6	U

Additional Comments:

Zoo Crew 346
c/o Dickerson Park Zoo
3043 N. Fort Ave.
Springfield, Mo 65803

Teacher's Signature

Date