

2018 Summer Camp Themes

Pets 101 (Grade 1-3)

Everything you wanted to know about having a pet but were afraid to ask!

Which animals make good pets? What kind of care do they need? Will this puppy stay this small forever...? Campers will explore all these questions and more. Perfect for the camper who may be ready to take on the responsibilities of pet ownership- or the one who maybe needs a bit more info.

Everything Animal (Grades 4-6)

For campers who love all animals, we have Everything Animal! Campers learn about a wide variety of the animal friends that share our world. Animal themed games, crafts and activities are selected to showcase animal adaptations and diversity. Of course, animal camp would not be complete without interactions with friendly animals at Calgary Humane Society!

Critters in Motion (Grade 1-3; 4-6)

Can your camper jump like a kangaroo? Run like a jaguar? Climb like a cat? Critters in Motion gives campers the chance to move and groove with the animal kingdom! Activities focus on amazing animal abilities and plenty of time for games provides campers with ample opportunity to burn off extra energy. Perfect for campers who enjoy physical games and activities.

Walk on the Wild Side (Grade 1-3, 4-6)

Campers take a Walk on the Wild Side and learn about the wild cousins of our domestic animal friends. Domestication of animals is explored while activities and crafts focus on the amazing array of animal adaptations which make life in the wild possible. Games, crafts and animal interactions round out the week.

Creative Critters (Grade 1-3, 4-6)

This theme provides budding artists the chance to flex their creative muscles and creating animal-themed creative projects. Activities focus around the art animals create in our natural world and creating projects inspired by animals and our natural world! Of course, no day would be complete without interaction with our shelter animals! Perfect for the camper who prefers arts, crafts and creative projects.

Animal Careers... Unleashed! (Grade 4-6)

Do you know an aspiring dog groomer? Kitty cuisine creator? Animal Cop? This week is for them! Campers will explore the wide array of jobs and careers where humans work side by side with animals. The week includes meeting special guests in both animal welfare and other professions, even seeing first-hand what some of our own shelter professionals do day to day! Fun activities, games, creative crafts and interact with a variety of critters round out the week.

How Animals Learn (Grade 7-9 only)

Ever wonder how dogs, cats, rabbits and even reptiles make sense of their world and learn new things? Find out at this unique camp! As an intro to understanding animal training, campers will learn basic fundamentals of animal training and try their hand at training different species. Throw in some games, creative projects and fun volunteer tasks around the shelter and you have a summer they will never forget!

So You Want to be a Vet? (Grades 7-9 only)

Does your child dream of being a vet when they are older? Let them spend a week at our vet camp where they get to explore the ins and outs of the vet profession, spending time with our professional veterinarians and health professionals! Campers will have the opportunity to observe surgeries, shadow health technicians on their medical rounds and have hands on experience by looking at microscopic slides, xrays and learning about different medical concerns our animals face. On top of all of that, games and animal interactions round out this unique week.

Animal Investigations (Grade 7-9 only)

Ever wonder what the laws are that protect pets? What about other animals? How are all those laws enforced and what happens when they are broken? Find out through this special, four-day camp where you will investigate, well... animal investigations and law enforcement! Campers will try their hand at solving practice cases, learn about forensics and the information animal investigators use when trying to solve a case as well as meet men and women of the law enforcement community including our own Cruelty Investigation and Animal Protection peace officers. This camp will provide understanding of our judicial system, the chance to see what a being an animal investigator looks like and most importantly, how to be an ally in the fight to protect animals.

Once Upon an Animal (Grade 1-3; 4-6)

Campers will jump through the pages of their favorite storybooks as they explore the roles of animals and mythical creatures in storytelling and bring these stories to life by accessing their inner actor through drama games, mask work and puppetry. Throw in some animal guests and crafts and this will be a magical week your campers won't forget.