

# *Education Program Themes*

## Love the boot

From the Piney Hills of North Louisiana to the marshes of the Atchafalaya Basin, Louisiana is home to a wide range of animals and habitats. This program allows students to discover and see Louisiana native animals first-hand.

## A world of differences

Students will encounter animals from different continents and classes, including reptiles, birds and mammals.

## Secrets that keep them safe

Many small animals have behavioral and physical adaptations not immediately visible to the naked eye that help keep them safe when confronted by a predator.

## South of the border

Central America and South America boast a wide range of animals – brightly-colored parrots, cuddly mountain mammals, creepy crawlies and big lizards. This side of the world has plenty of one-of-a-kind animals that keep biologists mesmerized.

## Radical reptiles

What makes a reptile? We'll study the wide array of different reptiles, big and small, with legs and without. We'll find out what and how they eat, where they live and why we don't see any in the polar regions.

## Home sweet habitat

We share the planet with millions of animals. Can you name them all? Can anyone? Each species of animals has adapted to where it lives, the place it calls home is its habitat. This program allows students to identify habitats as well as visiting with representatives from each habitat discussed.

## African safari

From desert to grassland to rainforests, the mystery of Africa is deep. Follow the education curator on a walk around the zoo, exploring the vast variety of animals that call this fascinating continent home.

NOTE: This is an at-zoo option only.

## Keeper's choice

Not sure what you want to encounter? Let the keepers choose which animals you encounter and learn about. While weather and other factors may require keepers to default to this theme, the presentation will sure to engage students.