

2023 – 2024 Zoo Academy Calendar

August 11 – 16 **Staff PD**
 August 17 **First day of school for Students**
 August 23 Back to School Open House Time at Hughes
August 25 **SENIORS first day of 1st Quarter lab Meet the Keepers Social 11:30-1**
 August 28 TB Testing

SEPTEMBER

LASOUP Give A Crock Program 1 day/week through November 10-11:30am
 GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Theme
 SEEDS of HOPE

Tree identification Seed Starting Letters to Local Politicians

September 4 **Labor Day-NO STUDENTS**
September 5 **Juniors first day of 1st Quarter lab**
 September 9 *Midterm Week*

Adventure Crew: Kayaking

September 25 **PD Day-NO STUDENTS**
September 26 **MEDVET field trip 9-12 SENIORS ONLY**

September 28 La Soup begins (every Wednesday) with seniors
 Parent Conference Night

October

Project Yoga Mondays through end of the quarter 8:30-9:30
 GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Theme
 TOOLS & TECH

Hydroponics Solar Power Natural Plant Dyes Tool Care

October 2 **Boyer Farm Field Trip 9-2:30pm**
October 4 **SHADOW DAY**
October 5 **Mill Creek Monitoring with Cincinnati State**
 October 9 Project Yoga begins (every Monday morning) for all students
October 12 **Last day of lab for Juniors**
October 13 **Last day of Lab for Seniors End of Qtr 1**
 October 14 Adventure Crew: Camp Day
October 17 **JUNIORS first day of lab quarter 2**
October 18 **SENIORS first day of lab quarter 2**
 Parent Conference Night
October 19 **Zoo Overnight in Twigga**
October 23 **Cincinnati Museum Center Junior Aspire IGEN partnership**
 October 28 PSAT Juniors Only
October 30 **Columbus Zoo Field Trip 9-6pm**

November

Project Yoga continues
 GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Theme
 HEALTHY HARVEST

Seed Collection and Storage Local Food Map Cooking Demonstration Community Meal

November 6 *Midterm Week*
November 7 **Election Day, No Students**
November 8 **UC Blue Ash Vet Tech program surgery watch- Seniors Only**
November 10 **Veterans Day, No Students**
 November 18 Adventure Crew: Field Day
November 22 – 24 **Thanksgiving, No Students**

December

Project Yoga continues

GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Theme
ACTS OF KINDNESS

Neighborhood Clean-up/Food & Coat Drive

Natural Themed Gifts

December 2

Adventure Crew: Ice Skating

December 6

SHADOW DAY

December 14

Last day of lab for Juniors

December 15

Last day of Lab for Seniors End of Qtr 2

December 18-31

Winter Break- No Students

January

GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Theme
Sustainable Cycles

Natural Cleaning

Compost

Waste Audit

Upcycle "Trash"

January 2

JUNIORS first day of lab quarter 3- School Resumes-

January 3

SENIORS first day of lab quarter 3

January 15

MLK Day, No Students

January 20

Adventure Crew: Skiing and Snowboarding

January 26

PD Day, No Students

February

GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Theme
WATER FOR LIFE

Local Water Quality Assessment

Seed Starting Experiment

Rainwater Harvesting

Deadly Water Bottles PSA

February 5

Midterm Week

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Krohn Conservatory Field Trip

February 12

No School- No Students

February 19

President's Day, No Students

February 26

Green Acres Field Trip 9-2pm

February 27

ACT Testing- No Juniors IN lab (tentative)

March

GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Theme
POLLINATOR PALS

Wildflower Field Guide

Bee Production

March 4

PD Day No Students

March 5-8

Camping Ed Canoe Boat Build- All Day for the week

March 7

Last day of lab for Juniors

March 8

Last day of Lab for Seniors End of Qtr 3

March 9

Adventure Crew: Roller Skating

March 12

JUNIORS first day of lab quarter 4

March 13

SENIORS first day of lab quarter 4

March 18

MSD Field Trip 9-2pm

March 25 – 29

Spring Recess, No Students

April

GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Theme
SHOUT IT OUT

Transform Your Community

Walk & Talk

Celebratory Newsletter

April 1

Schools ReOpen

April 15

Midterm Week

April 20 **Camping Ed Outdoor Day at Burnett Woods**
Adventure Crew: TBD
April 25 Earth Jam @ Cincinnati State- Seniors Only 9:30-2
April 26 Keeper Banquet 12-2 @ ZA

May **GREEN TEENS CHALLENGE with Civic Garden Center (CGC)- Banquet at end of May**
May 6 Boyer Farm Field Trip 9-2PM
May 13 Awards Ceremony at the Zoo 5:30-7:30pm
May 17 Last Day for Senior Lab (tentative)
May 18 Adventure Crew: Kayaking
May 23 Last day of lab for Juniors
May 24 Staff Final Day

All Field Trips dates/times subject to bus availability. Other opportunities forthcoming.