Park Rental Fees

Pavilions and small park spaces must be booked online at www.jbzoo.org/rentals/park
Full payment is required upon booking
Park fees include a full-day rental between the hours of 9am and 9pm (or until dusk)
The 2021 season starts May 1st and goes through October 15th

Hilltop Pavilion
RENTAL PRICE: $350
Includes electricity
Includes one charcoal grill
Includes 15 picnic tables
(holds about 120 guests)

Pond Pavilion
RENTAL PRICE: $350
Includes electricity
Includes one charcoal grill
Includes 12 picnic tables
(holds about 96 guests)

The Grove
$150
Includes two charcoal grills
Includes 12 picnic tables
(holds about 96 guests)

Valley View East
$150
Includes one charcoal grill
Includes 10 picnic tables
(holds about 80 guests)

Valley View West
$150
Includes one charcoal grill
Includes 10 picnic tables
(holds about 80 guests)

Fulton View
$150
Includes two charcoal grills
Includes 16 picnic tables
(holds about 128 guests)
PICNIC ACRE

If your event has around 200 or more guests, you must host your event at our Picnic Acre park space. It is the only space large enough to accommodate that scale of an event.

RENTAL FEE

MONDAY-THURSDAY: $450
FRIDAY-SUNDAY: $600

Fee includes:
- Full-day rental between 9am-9pm (or until dusk if earlier)
- One complimentary consultation hour
- Electricity and water access upon request
- Approximately 50 picnic tables (holds about 200 guests)
- Nearby playground and restrooms (open to public)

EMAIL ALL PICNIC ACRE INQUIRIES DIRECTLY TO PARKRENTALS@JBZOO.ORG
**PLEASE NOTE**

- All event setup and tear down must occur on your contracted rental date(s) or additional rental fees will be charged.
- We highly recommend renting a tent for all Picnic Acre events in order to provide shelter for your guests in any weather conditions (rain, shade from sun, etc).
- If you rent a tent, you will also need to rent tables and chairs to be placed underneath your rental tent for guest seating.
- John Ball Zoo will not move picnic tables underneath any tents or structures.
- You may use any caterer that you prefer or bring your own food and beverages.

**PARKING FEE**

- $250 for groups with up to 249 guests
- $500 for groups with 250 to 499 guests
- $750 for groups with 500 or more guests

Parking fee applies to Picnic Acre rentals only.
Parking fee WAIVED with purchase of group Zoo admission equal to (or greater than) the applicable parking fee.

**ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

- Picnic Table Movement: $200
  - Tables will be left as is without purchase of this service.
  - John Ball Zoo will not move tables underneath tents or structures.

- Additional Staff Assistance: $300 per John Ball Zoo staff member
  - Includes up to 8 consecutive hours in one day.
  - Includes picnic table movement ($200 value).

- Police Presence: $90 per officer per hour
  - Required at the Zoo’s discretion for events with 1,200 or more guests and/or selling alcohol (with required city permit).

- Additional Consultation: $100 per hour
Park Rules & Regulations

- The park season starts May 1st and ends October 15th
- All rentals are held rain or shine
- No refunds will be issued due to inclement weather
- Alcohol is not permitted in the park without prior approval
- No animal rides are allowed
- The sale of merchandise or operation of merchandise or food concessions must be reviewed and approved by the CEO or their designee
- Dunk tanks or inflatable equipment (space walks, bounce houses, slides, etc) are not permitted without prior approval
- No gambling or gambling devices are allowed
- Dogs must be on a leash at all times
- Balloons and confetti are prohibited in the park and zoo for the safety of the animals
- No hunting or trapping
- No disruptive behavior or drunkenness
- No posting of signs without prior approval
- Fires are only permitted in grills for cooking
- Park in designated spaces only
- No parking along roads or on grass areas
- Renter must possess a copy of the reservation confirmation at the event
Bring your group to visit the Zoo for an exciting, fun-filled day! We offer two amazing options for group admission! Group admission rates are based on a mixed aged audience.

**Good Any Day Tickets**

Our most flexible option! Buy your one day discounted admission ticket and visit any day you choose during the season! This option allows you to redeem your ticket using our online timed ticketing system with an exclusive promo code for your group to use.

**March 27th - April 25th**

- Silver Level (25 - 249 Tickets) $11.00/ticket
- Gold Level (250 - 999 Tickets) $10.00/ticket
- Platinum Level (1000+ Tickets) $9.00/ticket

**April 26th - Sept. 26th**

- Silver Level (25 - 249 Tickets) $13.00/ticket
- Gold Level (250 - 999 Tickets) $12.00/ticket
- Platinum Level (1000+ Tickets) $11.00/ticket

**Sept. 27th - Nov. 21st**

- Silver Level (25 - 249 Tickets) $11.00/ticket
- Gold Level (250-999 Tickets) $10.00/ticket
- Platinum Level (1000+ Tickets) $9.00/ticket

**Specific Day Tickets**

Receive greater savings when you choose the day you plan to visit. Your Sales Coordinator can help customize your Zoo adventure! This option allows your group to visit all on the same day and to select timeslot tickets printed just for your group.

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- Platinum Level (1000+ Tickets) $9.00/ticket
As we continue to operate with a limited guest capacity, ALL guests must reserve a timed-entry ticket to secure their visit time. Details on how to reserve your timed-entry for your group will be sent to the main contact by your coordinator.

Group rates are based on a mixed age group audience. Different rates will not apply for children, students, adults, or seniors. Children under the age of 3 are admitted free, but are required to have a ticket. When arranging ticket amounts with your coordinator, please include the number of children under the age of 3.

All group admission requests must be confirmed with the Park Coordinator at least 10 business days prior to your event, or discounted group admission is not guaranteed.

Good Any Day Tickets are redeemable online only with the active Promo Code assigned to your group by your coordinator. Tickets need to be printed or shown digitally upon arrival at the admission gate and may only be redeemed during the chosen timeslot validated on the ticket.

Specific Day Tickets will be available for pickup prior to your rental date. Tickets must be presented at the gate upon arrival for which timeslot they are valid for. Specific Day Tickets cannot be used on alternative dates. Tickets will be valid for the day of your rental only.

At this time, due to limiting guest capacity, re-entry to the Zoo is not permitted. Your coordinator will assist you in setting up your park reservation and entry time to the Zoo.

Upon arrival, informational signs and staff members will greet and direct you where to go. When there is a wait for entry, you will be directed to a waiting area for your time slot indicated on your ticket(s). These lines ensure that 6’ distance is maintained between your party and the next.

If you are unable to make your scheduled timeslot, we cannot guarantee entrance into the Zoo. If there is availability in the next timeslot, guests who have missed their original timeslot may be granted access at that time.
ENHANCE YOUR EVENT WITH DISCOUNTED ZOO EXPERIENCES!

- **Zip Line**
  - $8 per ride
  - Minimum weight of 65lbs
  - Maximum weight of 250lbs
  - Must be 48 inches tall
  - Closed back shoes required

- **Ropes Course**
  - $8 per session
  - Maximum weight of 300lbs
  - Must be 48 inches tall
  - Closed back shoes required

- **Budgie Aviary**
  - $1.60 per feed stick
  - Handicap accessible
  - No weight restrictions
  - No height restrictions
  - Strollers not permitted within the aviary

- **Funicular**
  - $2.40 per one-way
  - Handicap accessible
  - Strollers are permitted
  - Approx. 4 minute ride

- **Camel Rides**
  - $5.60 per ride
  - Maximum weight of 300lbs
  - Up to 3 participants per ride
  - Must be at least 34 inches tall
to ride without a guardian

John Ball Zoo
All You Can Eat Picnics
For groups of 100 or more

Picnics include staff to set up, clean up, and expedite the food line. Serve time is for 2 hours. Prices do not include 6% sales tax. Final attendance numbers and payment are due 10 days prior to the event. No refunds.

**Hot Dog Picnic**
$10.00/person
100% All beef hot dogs served with your choice of 2 sides and all condiments. Includes water and lemonade.

**BBQ Picnic**
$13.50/person
Grilled third pound hamburgers and BBQ pulled pork sandwiches served with your choice of 2 sides and all condiments. Includes water and lemonade.

**Hamburger and Hot Dog Picnic**
$12.50/person
Grilled third pound hamburgers and 100% all beef hot dogs served with your choice of 2 sides and all condiments. Includes water and lemonade.

**Deluxe Picnic**
$14.50/person
Grilled third pound hamburgers, bratwurst, and 100% all beef hot dogs served with your choice of 2 sides and all condiments. Includes water and lemonade.

(V) Vegan (VG) Vegetarian (GF) Gluten Free

**Choose 2 Sides:**
- Kettle Chips (VG) (GF)
- Baked Beans (VG) (GF)
- Potato Salad (VG) (GF)
- Coleslaw (VG) (GF)
- Pasta Salad (V)
- Chocolate Chip Cookies (VG)

**Extras:**
Priced per person
- Fruit Salad (V) (GF) $3.00
- Assorted Canned Soda $2.00
- Black Bean Burgers (VG) $2.00
- Ice Cream Novelties (VG) $3.00
- Cotton Candy (VG) (GF) $3.00
- Popcorn (V) (GF) $3.00
- Canned Soda $2.00

Ask your Coordinator about customizing any of the above menus to suit your needs!
John Ball Zoo Catering

Group Lunches

For groups of 25 or more

Food will be ready for pick up at Monkey Island Cafe or can be delivered to a rented space in the Zoo or Park. Prices do not include 6% sales tax. Final attendance numbers and payment are due 10 days prior to the event. No refunds.

16" Pizza
Cheese (VG) or Pepperoni $18.75/pizza
Our hot, fresh-made pizzas are cut into 8 slices. Gluten Free crust option available.

Boxed Lunches
$12.00/person
Includes a choice of turkey & cheese, ham & cheese, or veggie sandwich (VG). Served with kettle chips (GF) (VG), chocolate chip cookie (VG), and a canned drink.

Wrap Platter
$12.00/person
Includes our signature grilled chicken wraps or veggie wraps (VG) with kettle chips (GF) (V) and a canned drink.

Kid’s Sack Lunch
$8.00/person
Includes your choice of hot dog or PB&J sandwich (VG), strawberry Go-Gurt, chocolate chip cookie (VG), and a kid’s drink.

Extras:
Priced per person
- Breadsticks (VG) $2.00
- Chocolate Chip Cookies (VG) $2.00
- Cotton Candy (VG) (GF) $3.00
- Dippin Dots (VG) $4.00
- Fruit Salad (V) (GF) $3.00
- Ice Cream
  Novelties (VG) $3.00
- Pasta Salad (V) $2.00
- Popcorn (V) (GF)$3.00
- Canned Soda $2.00
- Boxed Water $3.00

Breakout Stations:
Priced per person
- Sweet Treats (VG)
  (Chocolate Chip Cookies/Sugar Cookies/Brownies) $6.00
- Sweet & Salty (VG)
  (Popcorn/Peanuts/Pretzels/M&M’s) $5.50
- Health Nut (VG)
  (Granola Bars/Trail Mix/Fresh Fruit) $7.00

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