

Birthday Party Information

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Birthday parties at the Barn Nature Center are an unforgettable, hands-on, entertaining, yet educational adventure! Our parties are unlike any other. We offer a fun and educational staffguided tour of our animal residents as well as a huge party room. We offer 4 package options that are based upon the number of children attending.

Party Package #1: 10 or less kids 2 hours = \$300

Party Package #2: 11-20 kids 2 hours = \$400

Party Package #3: 21-30 kids 2.5 hours = \$500

Party Package #4: 31-35 kids 2.5 hours = \$600

We do not recommend to go over 35 children.

Included children are any that will be actively participating in the party. Adults are not limited by the Barn Nature Center, they may stay or drop off. They may also be counted in the headcount if it is wished for them to participate in the tour.

Birthday Party Add-Ons

- 30 minutes extra time = \$50
- 60 minutes extra time = \$100

Extra time in the Party Room with your planned activity, but our staff to facilitate it

- 30 minutes extra time + staff to facilitate = \$75
- 60 minutes extra time + staff to facilitate = \$150

Craft activities provided by BNC with our staff to facilitate

- Staff to facilitate + Supplies provided + 30 extra minutes = \$75 + craft fee per child
- Staff to facilitate + Supplies provided = \$25 + craft fee per child (without extra time)

Craft Options (or can be Favors!)

- \$3/child = <u>Paper Plate Snake</u> geared towards our youngest audience, children can glue tissue paper scales, a tongue and eyes to their snake
- \$4/child = <u>Paper Chain Snake</u> children can decorate their own or their friends links to make a chain link snake
- \$5/child = <u>Animal Masks</u> Paint and decorate their own animal mask (since painting recommend doing earlier in the party)
- \$6/child = <u>Bracelet Making</u> Use our assortment of fun and colorful beads and string to make bracelets to remember the special event!
- \$7/child = SLIME! Staff will walk the children through making their own slime to take home!
- \$8/child = <u>Beaded Animal Keychain</u> Staff will walk the children through making their own beaded animal keychain to take home!

Bingo! Barn Nature Cener Style!

Fun and educational! Our Bingo cards have our animal residents on them! Children can be quizzed on what and who they are and special facts about them that they just learned on the tour! Staff facilitated, supplies provided, takes 30 minutes = \$100 add on

Party Favors

• Barn Nature Center Coloring Book – drawn, designed and written by the President of our Board of Directors! These books incorporate past and current animal residents of the Barn Nature



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Center! Learn cool facts about each animal as you read the rhymes about them and be inspired by ecological quotes!

- o Regular cost of \$10 each
- Less than 10 books = \$9 each
- \circ 11-20 books = \$8 each
- \circ 21-30 books = \$7 each
- Bird feathers Send your guests home with little tokens from the animals themselves! Feathers vary in cost and are subject to availability! Ask if you're interested. Some have even turned them into jewelry or trinkets!
- Don't forget! If you make a craft, this can be your favor too!

Generally, the party flow goes as follows; Host may arrive up to 30 minutes before the start of the party, guests arrive (guests stay in the party room), Animal tour (approximately an hour long), and Party room (for anywhere from 30-60 minutes, depending on actual start time). We are completely flexible with this order, if another is preferred. Sometimes it works out better to do food first, animals and then cake! It is important to remember that a party rarely has all guests in attendance for the exact start of the party. This is why we plan for an hour of time for food, so that we can shave off time there if needed.

The Animal Tour: Our staff guide guests throughout our nature center to meet some of our over 40 different species of animal residents. Children get to learn about the animals they meet, and many animals will be touched, and some can even be held and fed! The tour does take approximately an hour, however, it can be shortened or lengthened as needed to flow the party correctly. Our staff are able to entertain children of any age with the facts they provide and how quickly it is moved along (for those with short attention spans!)

Party Room: You are offered a flexible hour of time in our Party room. This is your time to shine and host your guests. We are always happy to help as you see fit, however all food and beverages are provided by you. We do provide plain, un-themed paper products (plates, cups, napkins, utensils), Tablecloths, fridge/freezer, some serving dishes, and decorations (generic "Happy Birthday" Theme mixed with animal decorations). Since our room is separate from our animals, we have no restrictions on food/beverages brought in. We also have no restrictions on any decorations/themes that you would like to bring in to decorate with as well. The room seats 40 comfortably. There are four tables with chairs, a front table, as well as buffet style counters running along the windows if needed. We generally are able to offer up to a half hour of time prior to your party, for you to come in and get set up if necessary. Please coordinate this with your party planning contact! PIZZA RECOMMENDATION: We do recommend Lil' Dom's 215-345-8500 as they give our customers 10% off.

Barn Nature Center Policies

- Time lengths are per the Barn Nature Center's recommendation, they can be decreased per the host request, and more time can be booked as an add-on.
- Packages can be changed after booking, however, it must be set once we reach the date 2 weeks prior to the event.
- After booking is finalized, Barn Nature Center cannot guarantee ability to extend party length.



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- After booking is finalized, a **non-refundable deposit of \$50** must be paid. This ensures your spot. Should you need to cancel after this has been paid, the deposit will be lost. Should you wish to transfer your date, with a month notice or more, half the deposit may be transferred.
- Once within 2 weeks prior to the event the package can no longer go down
- Once within 2 weeks prior to the event the package can go up, but this would incur a \$50 late booking change fee, this would be on top of paying the new package price. This is because with any change in package we must then find another staff to help run the party and accommodate the new number of children.
- Party order can be whatever host family wishes. Certain things to consider are time for guests to arrive late, certain crafts need time to dry, time of day may determine when to eat.
- Own decorations, tablecloths, cups, plates, utensils, etc. are welcome, but remember, we do provide these!
- Piñatas, face painters, princesses and other guest attractions are welcome, just ensure you schedule time accordingly!

The booking process: Once you are ready to book your party, please get in contact with the office at the Barn Nature Center (barnnaturecenter@gmail.com). It is best to try to book 2 months in advance. If the date you are requesting is not available for a party in-house, remember, we can bring animals to you too! We normally host parties on Friday evenings, Saturday mornings and afternoons, and Sunday mornings and afternoons. Other days of the week may certainly work for us, but we will have to ensure staff prior to booking. Once booked with a BNC office staff, you will be sent a contract via email. We ask that as soon as you can, you return the contract, signed and pay a \$50 non-refundable deposit immediately upon booking. Your email will also include a waiver for you to look over, that all of your guests will have to sign if they have participating children. This waiver can be signed upon arrival, it does not need to be received ahead of time. Once booked, it is highly important that we are notified if your party package size needs to change. Once we fall within 2 weeks of the party, changes to staff may prove difficult, and staff are dependent upon the number of children. All party size changes must be made 2 weeks prior to the party date. After the 2 week mark packages can no longer be decreased, but can be increased with an added late fee of \$50.

Gratuity is not included in Party costs, and is not necessary, although always greatly appreciated!

Thank you so much for considering the Barn Nature Center as the place to host your child's birthday!! We look forward to working with you and your family! As a non-profit organization, all proceeds from our events and activities go towards maintaining the best quality of life and care for our animal residents, as well as constructing our educational programming so that we can promote passion for animals and conservation in children and adults in our community!! Thank you for your help!!