Going to the Akron Zoo!

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At the Akron Zoo, you’ll enter our Welcome Center through the big, wooden double doors. I’ll wait in line with my group to buy my ticket.
Once I have my ticket, I’ll walk over to the doors into the zoo and hand my ticket to our ticket taker to scan.

Now it’s time to go in!
When I purchase my tickets, I will get a map. I can pick my animals I want to see and follow the map to find them.
If I get hungry, I can eat a meal or snack I bought from the Komodo Kingdom Café, open year-round! In the summer, I can also buy a snack from Grasslands Café or one of the Dippin’ Dots stands.
If I need a bathroom break, I will ask my group or family for permission. This way everyone knows where I am and I feel safe.
Some areas will be loud. I can always ask to go to a quiet area with my group.
I can also use headphones if the noises are too loud.
If I need a moment away from the crowd, I can always step into the Guest Comfort Station – located across from the penguins.
I can stop in Wild Prairie and feed the goats and sheep. They love getting crackers purchased from the zoo employee. In fact, they may even battle for who gets my crackers. I can break the cracker in pieces and hold it still for the goats and sheep. The animal will take the cracker but not my fingers! If I don’t want to feed or pet the animals, I can stay with my group and watch.
I can ride the Conservation Carousel for a fun ride, but I might need my headphones because this area can be loud.
The A&K Wilber Express Train is currently closed, but a bigger and better train ride will open in June 2019!
I can slide down the slide through the otter exhibit. The otters love to swim around the slide. I need to remember to go feet first and keep my feet down on the slide so I land at the bottom correctly.
I will walk on the designated paths and stay with my group. If I somehow get separated, I will find a zoo employee to help me.
The Akron Zoo employees all wear green uniforms and the volunteers wear blue. I can ask them questions about the zoo or the animals. I will wait my turn to ask my question.
Sometimes the animals are sleeping or it is too cold to come outside. I know that I can come see them again another time.
The zoo is under construction to build new and exciting areas for me to visit. While things are being built there are new sounds and sights every day. I might need my headphones around these areas.
When it is time to leave the zoo, I will get my things and say goodbye to the animals and the Akron Zoo employees.