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Are your pre-teens considering a career involving animals or are they just crazy about dogs, cats, farm animals, and zoo animals? Then sign them up for the Burleson Animal Services' Paw Pals Animal Care Academy.

Paw Pals Animal Care Academy is a free educational program for area youth interested in animal welfare. This academy is noon-1:30 p.m. on four consecutive Saturdays – June 4, 11, 18, and 25. Classes include bite prevention/responsible pet ownership/veterinary care; what it takes to run the Fort Worth Zoo; how to care for farm animals; and graduation!

Paw Pals is for students who are entering the 6th grade in the 2016/2017 school year. The class is limited to 15 students who must either live in Burleson or attend school in Burleson.

There is a Paw Pals application. Students are required to write an essay explaining why they want to participate and what they hope to get out of the academy. Fill out the application, <http://bit.ly/PawPalsapp2016>, before April 23. Applications are also available at the Burleson Animal Shelter, 775 S.E. John Jones Dr. The shelter hours are 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday-Friday and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays.

For more information about Paw Pals, call 817-426-9283 or email animalshelter@burlesontx.com.