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Run *Wild* at the Zoo's Dart Frog Dash!

Toledo, Ohio— On **Saturday, May 16**, hundreds of runners from all around the region will hop to it and make their way to The Toledo Zoo for the fifth annual **Dart Frog Dash!** Participants will see the Zoo in a new light as they run or walk an accurately measured 5K (3.1 mile) course across Zoo grounds and through surrounding neighborhoods. There will also be a 1K Kids Run for younger runners, who will be greeted at the finish line by none other than Dora's cousin Diego!

The 5K walk/run begins at 8:30 a.m., and the 1K kids' race starts at 9:45 a.m. Awards will be given to the top 3 overall males and females for the 5K, and all kids in the 1K will receive a finisher's ribbon. Plus, all participants registered by May 10 will receive a cool Dart Frog Dash t-shirt. This year, the Dart Frog Dash will also feature disposable chip timing, which ensures faster results.

Participants can register online at www.toledozoo.org, where more information and a complete list of registration fees are included. A registration form and additional information are also available by calling (419) 385-5721, ext. 2091. Deadline for online late registration is Thursday, May 14. Adults who register the day of the race cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt, and no children's shirts will be available the day of the race. The Toledo Zoo's Dart Frog Dash is presented by St. Vincent Mercy Children's Hospital and sponsored by Target, Assurant Health and Fisher-Price.

The Toledo Zoo is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (10 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning May 1) and is located on the Anthony Wayne Trail (US 25), four miles south of downtown Toledo. For more information, please visit www.toledozoo.org or call (419) 385-4040. Lucas County residents are admitted free of charge each Monday from 10 a.m. to noon. ID showing proof of residency is required.

The Toledo Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums (AZA). Look for the AZA logo whenever you visit a zoo or aquarium as your assurance that you are supporting a facility dedicated to providing excellent care for animals, a great experience for you, and a better future for all living things. With its more than 200 accredited members, AZA is building North America's largest wildlife conservation movement.

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