

OBEDIENCE AND BEHAVIOR

Puppy Class (3 to 8 Months)

Give your puppy the best start in life! This class focuses on essential skills like basic obedience, socialization, and confidence-building through fun, positive reinforcement training. Puppies will learn to interact with other dogs, people, and new environments while developing good manners and self-control. Perfect for setting the foundation for a well-behaved and happy adult dog.

Must have at least two puppy vaccines if under six months plus a rabies vaccine if over six months.

Manners 1: Essential Obedience and Companion Skills

Turn your dog into a well-behaved companion at home and in public with Manners 1. This class goes beyond basic commands like sit and stay, covering key skills such as focus, name recognition, reliable recall, loose-leash walking, down, wait, and leave it. Your dog will also learn to interact politely with other dogs and people in a fun, supportive, and interactive environment. Join us to build a strong foundation of obedience that will make your dog a joy to be around, wherever you go!

Manners 2: Mastering Obedience in the Real World

You're making great progress, but your dog could use a little more consistency. If your dog knows basic manners but sometimes gets distracted by other dogs, birds, or even a blowing leaf, Manners 2 is the perfect next step. In this class, we'll help your dog stay focused and responsive as we tackle advanced obedience skills in more challenging and active environments. Build on the foundation you've established and take your dog's behavior to the next level, ensuring they listen and respond no matter what distractions come their way.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 1 or demonstrated mastery of equivalent skills.

Manners 3/Canine Good Citizen: Advanced Obedience and Community Manners

Take your dog's training to the next level with Manners 3/CGC. This class is designed to strengthen your dog's ability to stay focused and well-behaved in increasingly distracting situations, whether at home or out in the community. Building on the skills from Manners 2, we'll work on advanced exercises such as extended stays from a distance, supervised separation, handling multiple distractions, navigating crowds, and maintaining focus in chaotic environments. Successful completion of this course will prepare your dog for the AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC) test, which you can take for a small additional fee. This

class is also a key stepping stone for handlers and dogs aiming to pursue advanced titles or certifications.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 2 or demonstrated mastery of equivalent skills.

Out and About

Interested in taking your dog's training to even greater heights? This class will build upon the strong foundation you've already established and introduce new situations, new distractions and even the new locations! Striving to reach the adage that, "a well-behaved dog is welcomed anywhere", the goal of this class is to make your dog the best it can be and bring your relationship to higher level. Transportation is needed.

Prerequisites – Instructor approval.

Impulse Control: Calm & Collected Canine

Does your dog struggle with self-control in exciting or challenging situations? *Calm & Collected Canine* is designed to help your dog develop the impulse control they need to stay calm and focused, no matter what distractions come their way. In this class, we'll work on exercises that teach patience, delayed gratification, and appropriate responses to triggers like doorbells, food, and other dogs. By the end of the course, your dog will be better equipped to handle everyday challenges with poise and confidence.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 1.

Positive Encounters: Socialization for Confidence

In *Positive Encounters*, your dog will learn to experience new people, objects, and environments in a positive and controlled way. This class provides opportunities to:

- Explore various items, surfaces, and new scents
- Desensitize to different sights and sounds
- Meet people and other dogs, practicing proper greetings

This is not a puppy playtime session; instead, it's a structured environment focused on building your dog's confidence and social skills. Ideal for dogs of any age, *Positive Encounters* is especially beneficial for puppies, young dogs, newly adopted dogs, and those who are fearful, shy, or anxious. Help your dog navigate the world with ease and comfort.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 1.

RALLY CLASSES

Beginning Rally

Introduce your dog to the exciting world of Rally Obedience! This class focuses on teaching you and your dog the basics of Rally, including how to navigate simple courses, follow commands, and build strong communication. Perfect for teams new to Rally or those looking to sharpen obedience skills in a fun, encouraging environment.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 1.

Intermediate Rally

Take your Rally skills to the next level! This class builds on the foundation of Beginning Rally, introducing more challenging courses and complex signs. You'll work on improving precision, timing, and teamwork as you and your dog tackle intermediate-level exercises with confidence.

Prerequisite: Completion of Beginning Rally.

Advanced Rally

Ready for a challenge? Advanced Rally is designed for experienced teams looking to master high-level Rally exercises. You'll focus on perfecting performance, handling off-leash work, and refining the intricate details of Advanced and Excellent level signs. Prepare for success in competition or enjoy the thrill of achieving peak teamwork with your dog!

Prerequisite: Completion of Intermediate Rally.

AGILITY CLASSES

Agility Fundamentals

Master the building blocks of Agility! This class focuses on the essential skills that form the foundation for success in Agility, including proper obstacle approach, handling techniques, and body awareness. Whether you're new to the sport or refining the basics, this class emphasizes the importance of solid fundamentals to ensure long-term success and confidence on the course.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 1.

Beginning Agility

Jump into the fun of Agility! This class introduces you and your dog to the foundational skills needed to navigate basic obstacles like jumps, tunnels, and weave poles. You'll focus on building confidence, coordination, and clear communication while learning the exciting world of Agility in a positive and supportive setting.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 1.

Intermediate Agility

Ready for more action? Intermediate Agility helps you and your dog develop smoother handling, quicker responses, and more precision. You'll work on navigating more complex courses, mastering sequencing, and fine-tuning your dog's obstacle performance as you progress to the next level.

Prerequisite: Completion of Beginning Agility.

Advanced Agility

For those seeking a competitive edge or looking to refine their agility skills, Advanced Agility focuses on fast-paced, challenging courses and advanced handling techniques. You and your dog will tackle difficult sequences, sharpen obstacle performance, and work on maximizing speed and accuracy to achieve peak performance on the course.

Prerequisite: Completion of Intermediate Agility.

SCENTWORK CLASSES

Beginning Scentwork – The Nose Knows

Unleash your dog's natural sniffing abilities! In Beginning Scentwork, your dog will learn to search for specific odors in a variety of environments. This class focuses on building drive, focus, and confidence as your dog learns the basics of scent detection in a fun and rewarding way. Perfect for all dogs, regardless of experience.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 1.

Intermediate Scentwork

Ready to sharpen your dog's scenting skills? Intermediate Scentwork introduces more complex search areas and multiple odor sources, requiring your dog to think critically and work independently. You'll learn to read your dog's signals better, while they build accuracy and persistence in their searches.

Prerequisite: Completion of Beginning Scentwork.

Advanced Scentwork

Take scent detection to the next level! Advanced Scentwork challenges your dog with difficult search areas, more distractions, and intricate odor puzzles. This class is designed for experienced teams looking to perfect their scenting skills and prepare for higher-level competition or simply enjoy the thrill of advanced scentwork.

Prerequisite: Completion of Beginning Scentwork.

THERAPY AND TRICKS CLASSES

Therapy Dog Test Preparation

Prepare your dog to bring joy and comfort to others! This class is designed to help you and your dog practice the skills needed to pass a Therapy Dog evaluation. You'll focus on mastering polite greetings, calm behavior in various environments, and handling distractions. Ideal for teams interested in volunteering as a therapy dog team, this class builds confidence and readiness for real-world visits.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 2.

Trick Time: Fun Training for a Happy, Healthy Dog

Ready to take your dog's training to the next level? *Trick Time* is the perfect way to build on basic behaviors and explore the world of trick training. Teaching your dog tricks not only provides endless fun but also strengthens the bond between you and your dog, improving obedience, focus, muscle tone, and balance for both of you. Whether you're looking to impress friends and family with your dog's new skills or just want to enjoy quality time together, this class offers something for everyone.

Prerequisite: Completion of Manners 1