



Class schedule (updated) March-April-May 2022

Registration opens Saturday March 12 at 12 noon on our website, www.tiptoptails.com.

The schedule will not be completely posted until noon; early birds may not see all classes, please refresh your browser.

Masks are strongly recommended. Social distancing will be observed.

Classes marked with an * have an instructor who is medically unable to wear a mask.

Vaccination requirements

Puppies under 4 months old: first round of distemper/parvo (DAPP/DHPP), bordetella (kennel cough), negative fecal exam.

Puppies and dogs over 4 months old: distemper/parvo (DAPP/DHPP), bordetella (kennel cough), rabies.

We accept titer testing for dogs that medically cannot be vaccinated. Please e-mail documentation after you register.

Which class is right for your dog? Review the descriptions carefully, and visit www.tiptoptails.com/which-class/.

If your dog barks a lot, growls, lunges or otherwise reacts strongly to people or dogs, contact us about individual lessons or Reactive Rover instead.

Questions about how to sign up, class vs. lessons, vaccinations, fees and policies? Visit www.tiptoptails.com/faqs/.

Kalamazoo classes are held at The Knoll, 1030 S. 8th Street, Kalamazoo.

South Haven classes resume in late April, schedule posted soon!

Beginner classes for puppies under six months old and under 40 pounds

Puppy is for puppies under six months old (toy breed dogs up to one year old) and under 40 pounds at the start date. If your pup is close to the age limit but under the weight limit, you are welcome to enroll in this class. Class covers attention and focus, sit, down, sit for petting, go to bed, and an intro to stay, leash walking, and come when called, plus topics like socialization, housetraining and crate training, and mouthing. \$200/six weeks.

Saturday at 2:00 pm with Courtney, April 2-May 14 (skip April 9)

* Wednesday at 6:00 pm with Beth, March 30-May 11 (skip April 13)

Thursday at 5:00 pm with Courtney, March 31-May 5

Puppy Day School is a drop-off day training program for puppies under five months old and under 40 pounds at the start date. School meets two days per week for four weeks. Each school day includes play time, good manners training, potty training, crate training, socialization experiences, and outings to dog-friendly stores to build confidence and practice skills in the real world. \$1,500 tuition includes a one hour individual lesson with you and your pup before school starts, eight days of drop-off school, and an individual lesson after school ends.

Tuesday and Thursday from 9:45 am-3:30 pm with Kelly and Matt, March 29-April 26 (skip April 7)

Beginner classes for puppies and dogs over six months old

Basic Manners is for beginner pups and dogs over six months old who have little or no prior training. This class covers attention and focus, sit, down, sit for petting, go to bed, and an intro to stay, leash walking, and come when called. The first class includes an assessment to confirm your dog is ready for a group class. *If your dog is not ready for a group class (barks continuously or exhibits fearful or aggressive behaviors),* we will switch you to individual lessons or Reactive Rover. \$175/five weeks.

Saturday at 11:30 am with Courtney, April 2-May 7 (skip April 9)

* Tuesday at 6:00 pm with Beth, March 29-May 3 (skip April 12)

* Wednesday at 4:45 pm with Beth, April 6-May 11 (skip April 13)

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Intermediate classes for puppies and dogs

Stay Focused mini class will help your dog build focus and a reliable stay around distractions. This class covers attention and focus, go to bed/place, stay with distractions, and stay for greeting people without jumping. Open to pups and dogs of any age. **To enroll in this class**, dogs should already know how to sit and down on cue, and should be friendly to people and other dogs. \$140/four weeks.

* Monday at 5:00 pm with Beth, March 28-April 25 (skip April 11)

Walk This Way mini class is for anyone who is tired of their dog pulling them down the street! Learn the essentials for loose leash walking, and how to address pulling, pass people and dogs, and choose the best walking gear for your dog. Open to pups and dogs of any age. **To enroll in this class**, dogs should already know how to sit and down on cue, and should be friendly to people and other dogs. \$140/four weeks.

Saturday at 12:45 pm with Courtney, April 2-April 30 (skip April 9)

NEW! Tune Up mini class is designed to help your dog handle more challenging distractions and work through training problems from everyday life. **To enroll in this class**, pups and dogs must have completed a puppy or basic manners class, or have equivalent training at home: dogs should already know how to sit and down on cue, and have started training on stay, leash walking and come when called. \$105/three weeks.

Thursday at 6:15 pm with Courtney, March 31-April 14

Thursday at 6:15 pm with Courtney, April 21-May 5

Beyond the Backyard is for dogs that struggle with distractions. Your dog will learn to re-orient to you, come to you and away from distractions, walk past distractions, and stay despite distractions. We also will cover reducing the visibility of treat rewards so your dog can work even when they can't see the cookie. **To enroll in this class**, pups and dogs must have completed a puppy or basic manners class, or have equivalent training at home: dogs should already know how to sit and down on cue, and have started training on stay, leash walking and come when called with treats. Dogs should be friendly to other dogs and people and should not have resource guarding issues. \$200/six weeks.

Thursday at 7:30 pm with Becki, March 31-May 5

Advanced classes for dogs

Canine Good Citizen Prep mini class is for dogs that are preparing for Canine Good Citizen or pet therapy testing. **To enroll in this class**, dogs should know how to sit, down stay, walk on leash, and come when called. Skills covered will be determined by student priorities, and may include sit/stay for petting, distance stay, heel with turns and distractions, heel and stay near another dog, coming when called with distance, the supervised separation exercise, and the appearance and grooming exercise. CGC testing can be scheduled after the class is completed. \$140/four weeks.

* Tuesday at 4:45 pm with Beth, April 26-May 17

Workshops for beginner and intermediate puppies and dogs

These workshops are suitable for pups and dogs of all ages and skill levels. Dogs should not bark continuously or exhibit fearful or aggressive behaviors towards people or other dogs.

Don't Poodle My Doodle is a must for all doodle owners. A professional groomer will show you how to avoid matting and the dreaded shave-down. Bring your dog, your brush or other home grooming tools, and your questions! \$35/one hour.

Tuesday March 15 at 6:30 pm with Becki

Jump Stops Here is a workshop on greeting without jumping. \$35/one hour.

* Tuesday March 8 at 6:00 pm with Beth

* Wednesday March 30 at 4:45 pm with Beth

Come On! Reliable Recall is a workshop on teaching your dog to reliably come when called. \$35/one hour.

Saturday May 7 at 12:45 pm with Courtney

Fun stuff for dogs of all ages and skill levels

Trick Dog will amaze your friends and confound your enemies with your dog's brilliance! Trick training is an awesome way to have fun and create great photo ops while building your dog's focus and confidence. \$105/three weeks.

* Tuesday at 4:45 pm with Beth, March 29-April 19 (skip April 12)