



Class schedule November-December 2023

Registration opens Sunday October 29 at 2 pm on our website, www.tiptoptails.com.

The schedule will not be fully posted until 2 pm. You may need to refresh your browser to see all classes.

Vaccination requirements

Please make sure your dog has received the bordetella (kennel cough) vaccination. Bordetella is not included with core puppy vaccinations, so check your vet records or ask your veterinarian. If your dog is not up to date before class starts, you may attend without your dog until their vaccinations are updated.

Pups under 4 months old required vaccinations:

- bordetella
- first round of distemper/parvo (DAPP/DHPP)
- negative fecal exam or in treatment and symptom free

Pups and dogs over 4 months old required vaccinations:

- bordetella
- distemper/parvo (DAPP/DHPP)
- rabies when your vet recommends it

We accept titer testing for dogs that medically cannot be vaccinated; e-mail us a vet note after registering.

Which class is right for your dog? Review the descriptions and skill levels carefully. *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/.

Classes are held at TipTopTails at The Knoll, 1030 S. 8th Street, Kalamazoo, unless otherwise noted.

Beginner classes for puppies and dogs under 40 pounds AND under 1 year old

Open to beginner puppies who are both under 40 pounds and under one year old at the start date. Highly recommended for pups under six months old, toy breed pups, and shy pups.

Puppy Class

Group class, owners attend with their pups. Max of eight pups per class. One hour per week. Foundation skills like attention, sit, down, and intro to stay, leash walking, and come when called. Topics like mouthing, socialization, housetraining, and crate training. \$140/four weeks.

Tuesday 6:15 pm with Beth, November 14-December 5

Wednesday 4:30 pm with Beth, November 15-December 6

Thursday 6:15 pm with Courtney, November 9-December 7 (skip November 23)

Saturday 1:00 pm with Courtney, November 11-December 9 (skip November 25)

Puppy Day School

Drop off day training and socialization program. Four week/eight day program.

Pups must be under 40 pounds at the start date. *Pups over six months old must be spayed/neutered to attend school.*

Good manners, playtime for appropriate interactions with other pups, potty training, crate training, socialization to build confidence, and outings to dog-friendly stores for real-world practice. Your pup will come home happy, well behaved, and sleepy! \$1,500 tuition includes individual lesson, eight days of school, and follow-up lesson after school ends.

Tuesday and Thursday 9:45 am-3:30 pm with Kelly and Matt, November 14-December 14 (skip November 21 and 23)

Jump Stops Here

Skills and strategies for greeting without jumping. Dogs should know how to sit and should be friendly to people and dogs. \$70/two weeks.

Monday 4:30 pm with Beth, November 6 and November 20 (skip November 13)

Holiday Hound Manners

Get your dog ready for the holidays with training skills and management strategies to greet guests politely without jumping, settle quietly on a dog bed while you eat dinner or watch a movie, and be calm around doors. \$140/four weeks.

Saturday 2:30 pm with Courtney, November 11-December 9 (skip November 25)

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Beginner classes for puppies and dogs over 40 pounds (any age) OR over 1 year old (any size)

Open to beginner pups and dogs over 40 pounds at start date. Toy breed pups and shy dogs should choose Puppy class if possible. If your dog barks continuously or exhibits fearful or aggressive behaviors, we may switch you to lessons or Reactive Rover.

Basic Manners

Foundation skills like attention, sit, down, and intro to stay, leash walking, and come when called. \$175/five weeks.

Tuesday 7:30 pm with Beth, November 14-December 12

Thursday 7:30 pm with Courtney, November 9-December 14 (skip November 23)

Saturday 11:30 am with Courtney, November 11-December 16 (skip November 25)

Jump Stops Here

Skills and strategies for greeting without jumping. Dogs should know how to sit and should be friendly to people and dogs. \$70/two weeks.

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Intermediate classes

Open to puppies and dogs of any age that have completed a puppy or adult beginner class or have equivalent at home training. Please read the individual class descriptions for any additional requirements.

Stay Focused

Better focus around distractions, a more reliable stay, and strategies for greeting people without jumping. Dogs should know how to sit and down on cue, and should be friendly to other dogs and people. \$140/four weeks.

Tuesday 5:00 pm with Beth, November 14-December 5

Field Trip 2

Open to dogs who have taken Field Trip with Beth or have instructor permission. Get real world practice in a different indoor location each week (class instructor will e-mail students with meet-up location). Dogs should know how to sit, down stay, walk on leash, and come when called. Dogs should be friendly to dogs and people. \$140/four weeks.

Wednesday 6:00 pm with Beth, November 15-December 6