



Class schedule March-April 2024

Puppy Day School registration is open now!

Group class registration opens Saturday February 24 at 10 am at www.tiptoptails.com.

The class schedule will not be fully posted until 10 am. 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, at least first round of distemper/parvo (DAPP/DHPP), and negative fecal exam or in treatment and symptom free

Pups and dogs over 4 months old required vaccinations:

bordetella, distemper/parvo (DAPP/DHPP), and 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.

Drop-off day training for pups under 40 pounds AND under one year old

Puppy Day School *REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!*

Open to pups who are both under 40 pounds and under one year old.

Pups over six months old must be spayed or neutered to attend Puppy Day School.

Bigger pups and adult dogs can choose Day Training, see next page.

Puppy wearing you out? Choose Puppy Day School and your pup will come home happy, well-behaved, and ready for a nap! Drop your pup off twice a week for manners training, puppy playtime, and outings to dog-friendly stores for socialization and real-world practice. Your pup will learn to be calm in a crate and gentle with your hands, sit for petting without jumping, walk on a loose leash, stay, come when called, and more. \$1,850/four weeks includes individual lesson before the session starts, eight days of school, and individual lesson after the session ends to ensure success at home.

Tuesday and Thursday 9:45 am-3:30 pm with Kelly and Matt, February 20-March 28 (skip Feb 29-March 7, March 21)

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

Puppy

Foundation skills like attention, sit, down, and intro to stay, leash walking, and come when called, plus answers to your questions about mouthing, potty training, socialization, and more! \$240/six weeks.

Monday 5:00 pm with Beth, March 11-April 22 (skip March 18)

Thursday 5:00 pm with Kat, March 14-April 18

Thursday 6:15 pm with Courtney, March 14-April 18

Saturday 1:15 pm with Courtney, March 16-April 20

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

Toy breed pups and shy dogs should choose Puppy class if possible instead of Basic Manners.

Basic Manners

Foundation skills like attention, sit, down, and intro to stay, leash walking, and come when called. \$200/five weeks.

Thursday 7:30 pm with Courtney, March 14-April 11

Saturday 10:00 am with Holly, March 16-April 20 (skip March 30)

Saturday 12:00 pm with Courtney, March 16-April 13

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Beginner classes for puppies and dogs of any age or size

Jump Stops Here

Skills and strategies for greeting without jumping. Dogs should know how to sit and should be friendly to people and dogs. \$80/two weeks.

Saturday 2:30 pm with Courtney, April 13-April 20

Zen Focus from Chaos

This class is for dogs who are sensitive to new environments and don't readily take treats or respond to cues when out and about. If you find yourself constantly saying "my dog just won't listen," this is the class for you! Learn skills and techniques to build focus so your dog can adjust to new environments with ease. \$240/six weeks.

Monday 6:15 pm with Beth, March 11-April 22 (skip March 18)

Intermediate classes

Open to puppies and dogs of any age and size 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.

Beyond the Basics

For dogs that know all foundation skills and are ready to start training with distractions on skills like attention, leash walking, stays with added distance, duration and distractions, and reliably coming when called. Dogs should be friendly to other dogs and people and should not exhibit resource guarding. \$240/six weeks.

Wednesday 7:45 pm with Becki, March 13-April 17

Field Trip

Get real world practice on skills like sit for petting, stay, and leave it. Class meets at a different dog-friendly location each week (meet-up location will be e-mailed to students). Dogs should already know how to sit and down on cue, and have started learning stay, leash walking and come when called. Dogs should be friendly to people and dogs. \$200/five weeks.

Wednesday 5:30 pm with Beth, March 13-April 17 (skip March 20)

Stay Focused

Better focus around distractions, a more reliable stay, and strategies for greeting people without jumping. Dogs should already know how to sit and down on cue, and should be friendly to other dogs and people. \$240/six weeks.

Tuesday 5:00 pm with Beth, March 12-April 16

Tavern Dog

Feel confident bringing your dog to The Thirsty Hound and other dog-friendly establishments with useful skills like table manners, leave it, polite greetings, and settling calmly. Dogs should be friendly to dogs and people. \$160/four weeks.

Saturday 2:30 pm with Courtney, March 16-April 6

Advanced classes

Canine Good Citizen Prep

For dogs that are preparing for Canine Good Citizen or pet therapy testing. 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, come when called with distance, supervised separation, and appearance and grooming. Optional CGC testing will be offered after the class ends. \$160/four weeks, optional CGC test \$25.

Wednesday 6:30 pm with Becki, March 13-April 3, CGC testing available April 10 and April 17

Drop-off day training programs

Puppy Day School, see first page

Day Training

Open to pups and dogs who are too big for Puppy Day School:

- Pups and dogs of any age who are over 40 pounds
- Pups and dogs of any size who are over one year old
- No requirement for pups and dogs to be spayed or neutered

Busy schedule? Let us do the training for you! Drop your dog off twice a week for training on skills like loose leash walking, sit and stay at doors, polite greetings without jumping, tricks, and more. \$1,500/six weeks includes half hour individual lesson before the session starts, twelve drop-off training sessions (one hour each), and half hour transfer lesson after the session ends.

Monday and Wednesday 12:30 pm-4:30 pm with Beth, March 11-April 24 (skip March 18 and March 20)