

**Registration opens Sunday April 28 at 2 pm at [www.tiptoptails.com](http://www.tiptoptails.com).**

The class 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, 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/](http://www.tiptoptails.com/faqs/).

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

## **1. Beginner classes for puppies and dogs who are 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, May 6-June 17 (skip May 27)

Thursday 5:00 pm with Kat, May 16-June 20

Saturday 11:15 am with Courtney, May 4-June 22 (skip May 25 and June 8), no pups at first class

**Puppy Day School:** see Day Training Drop Off Programs below.

### **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 1:45 pm with Courtney, June 15-June 22

### **Zen Focus from Chaos**

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.

Thursday 7:30 pm with Courtney, May 9-June 20 (skip June 6), no dogs at first class

## **2. Beginner classes for puppies and dogs who are over 40 pounds (any age) OR over 1 year old (any size)**

### **Basic Manners**

Foundation skills like attention, sit, down, and intro to stay, leash walking, and come when called.

Tuesday 5:00 pm with Beth, May 7-June 11 (skip May 28), \$200/five weeks

Tuesday 6:15 pm with Kat, May 14-June 11, \$200/five weeks

Thursday 6:15 pm with Courtney, May 9-June 20 (skip June 6), \$240/six weeks, no dogs at first class

Saturday 10:00 am with Holly, May 11-June 15 (skip May 25), \$200/five weeks

**Jump Stops Here:** see above.

**Zen Focus from Chaos:** see above.

**Day Training:** see Day Training Drop Off Programs below.

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### **3. 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. Dogs should be friendly to other dogs and people. Please read class descriptions for 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. \$240/six weeks.

Saturday 12:30 pm with Courtney, May 4-June 22 (skip May 25 and June 8)

#### **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 (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. \$200/five weeks.

Wednesday 6:00 pm with Beth, May 8-June 5

#### **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. \$240/six weeks.

Monday 6:15 pm with Beth, May 6-June 17 (skip May 27)

#### **Walk This Way**

You'll love going for walks after this class! Learn the essentials for loose leash walking, how to address pulling, how to pass people and dogs, how to choose the best walking gear for your dog, and more. \$160/four weeks.

Saturday 1:45 pm with Courtney, May 4-June 1 (skip May 25)

### **4. Advanced classes**

#### **Beyond the Backyard**

For dogs that reliably know foundation skills with distractions and are ready to level up. Dogs should know how to sit, down stay, walk on leash, and come when called, and have already started training with distractions. We recommend completing Beyond the Basics or Stay Focused before signing up for Beyond the Backyard, but it is not required. Dogs should be friendly to other dogs and people and should not exhibit resource guarding. \$240/six weeks.

Wednesday 7:45 pm with Becki, May 8-June 12

### **5. Day Training Drop Off Programs**

#### **Puppy Day School**

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 (below).

Your pup will come home happy, well-behaved, and ready for a nap! Enjoy having a pup that is calm in a crate and gentle with your hands, doesn't jump up, walks nicely on leash, and comes when called. Drop your pup off twice a week for manners training, puppy playtime, and socialization outings to dog-friendly stores for real-world practice. \$1,850/four weeks includes individual lesson before the session starts, eight days of school, and individual lesson after the session ends.

Tuesday and Thursday 9:45 am-3:30 pm with Kelly and Matt, May 2-June 4 (skip May 9 and May 14)

Tuesday and Thursday 9:45 am-3:30 pm with Kelly and Matt, June 18-July 18 (skip July 4 and July 11)

#### **Day Training**

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

- pups and dogs of any age who are over 40 pounds
- pups and dogs of any size who are over one year old

Dogs do not need to be spayed or neutered to attend Day Training.

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, May 6-June 19 (skip May 27 and May 29)

#### **Back to School (for graduates of Puppy Day School)**

Does your pup miss school and need a refresher? Back to School is open to school graduates of any age and size. Your pup will get multiple training sessions customized to your specific training goals. Sign up for one day or multiple days, your choice! \$100/day.

Friday 12:30 pm-4:30 pm with Kelly, May 3, May 17, May 24, May 31

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## **6. Fun stuff**

### **Scentwork Foundations**

Perfect for dogs who love to sniff! Learn how to use your dog's natural abilities to find a hidden target odor. \$240/six weeks.

Wednesday 6:30 pm with Becki, May 8-June 12

### **Nosework Problem Solving Workshop**

Open to dogs that have completed at least an intro to nosework class. This workshop is suitable for dogs on odor, on paired hides, and also working primary. We will focus on skill building, independent hunting, and problem solving for the Nosework dog. The exercises will be a fun and encouraging experience for both the dog and handler. \$40/one week.

Wednesday 6:00 pm with Carolyn, June 19