

CLASS INFORMATION



CANINE GOOD CITIZEN ACCREDITATION TEST
AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (5 MONTHS AND OLDER)

The CGC class is designed to prepare you and your student to take the American Kennel Club's Canine Good Citizen test. We will cover the requirements to take the test and equipment needed, as well as prepare for the 10 skills needed to take and succeed in the CGC exam: Accepting a friendly stranger, sitting politely for petting, appearance and grooming, out for a walk (loose leash walking), walking through a crowd, sit and down on command/staying in place, coming when called, reaction to another dog, reactions to distractions, and supervised separation. After completing the Canine Good Citizen class your dog is eligible for the CGC exam. This exam is by appointment only if you are not a part of the class.



SOCIALIZATION ★ TRAINING ★ ACTIVITY ★ RESPONSIBILITY

AKC S.T.A.R. PUPPY CLASS (10 WEEKS UP TO 5 MONTHS)

Introductory group class which focuses on socialization and is designed to teach your puppy the basics, along with body handling, "sit" and "come" commands. Kindergarten will also cover problem-solving ideas for potty training, crate training, chewing, teething and more. This is a great introduction to basic manners, using hand signals, verbal cues and loose-leash walking to set a foundation.

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BEGINNER LEVEL I (5 MONTHS AND OLDER)

The Beginner Training I course gives your pet a solid foundation of basic behaviors. Untrained adolescent and adult dogs can become easily distracted by their environment, which is why it's important to work on attention to their owner, coming when called, loose leash walking, and your basic exercises like "stay" and "sit". This class can be used as the follow up class from AKC Puppy Kindergarten or your dog can start with Beginner Training I. After completing Beginner Training I your dog is eligible for Beginner Training II.



BEGINNER LEVEL II (5 MONTHS AND OLDER)

After learning the basic cues of Beginner Training I, it's time to achieve the same results in situations involving more distance, duration and distractions. In addition, Beginner Training II will cover new behaviors such as "heel", "leave it", and side sitting. After completing Beginner Training 2 your dog is eligible for Beginner Training III.

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL III (5 MONTHS AND OLDER)

Beginner Training 3 helps ensure reliability in a variety of situations, only with a new caveat - fewer rewards. Here the student will learn supervised separation, tricks and other special behaviors all while enforcing cues learned in earlier phases. Various exercises that mirror every day encounters and real life situations, your dog will be encouraged to rely more on your guidance while practicing confidence and control. With this higher level of distraction, we address the practical aspects of owning a dog that is well mannered at home and in public. After completing Beginner Training III your dog is eligible for the Canine Good Citizen class.

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