

## **Puppy Classes**

We offer Puppy Kindergarten and Jr Puppy classes to get your puppy off to the right start by strengthening your bond, teaching basic commands and addressing problem behaviors. Puppies who successfully complete our Jr Puppy Training class and pass a test will be eligible to enroll in the AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy Program. Classes are 6 weeks in length and cost \$30 per class.

# **Puppy Kindergarten**

For puppies from 2-4 months old. Focus on socialization and begin teaching the basics which includes: sit, walking on a leash, come, safe handling, grooming, crate training and potty training tips.

# Jr Puppy Class

For puppies from 5 - 12 months old. We expand on the basic skills to include: sit, down, stay, loose leash walking, leave-it, socialization with other people and dogs, recall from a distance, grooming and more. Completion of this class and the final test qualifies puppies for enrollment in the AKC S.T.A.R Program.



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# SmartyPaws \*\*\* Dog Training

**Positive Training ~ Positive Results** 

# **Dog Classes**

We offer a variety of classes focused on basic skills, addressing problem behaviors, Canine Good Citizen certification, NoseWork, Tricks and more. Group classes are offered at Metro East Vet in Belleville and at the client's homes. Private lessons available at your home or Metro East Vet. Boarding and Board and Train continues to be offered at our existing in-home setting. Classes are 6 weeks in length and cost \$30 per class.

## **Basic Training**

For dogs 1 year old and up. Focus on socialization and mastering the basics with the distractions of a group class. Controlled interaction is allowed as we work on skills including: loose leash walking, sit, down, stay, chill, leave-it, shake (optional), etc. Goal is to enhance and further develop your pets good manners and empower your pet to make good decisions.

#### **Canine Good Citizen**

**For dogs 1 year old and up.** This training will prepare your dog to pass the Canine Good Citizen Certification test. If you want to take your training to the next level, this is the class for you. We work on mastering the basic manners and further expand training behaviors in even more challenging environments.



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# **Advanced Training Classes**

These classes take your training and your relationship with your dog to the next level. Classes create opportunities for advanced learning, a fun bonding experience and a life-time of enjoyment as you show off and practice your dogs skills.

#### **Nose Work Class**

**For all ages**. Nose work is a fun and stimulating search and scenting activity that virtually all dogs and people can learn. This activity builds confidence and focus in dogs, and provides a safe way to keep dogs fit and healthy through mental and physical exercise.

#### **Tricks**

**For all ages.** Learn fun & playful tricks in this mentally stimulating class. This is a great class to help a shy dog come out of their shell, an energetic dog to expel some energy and even an older dog or special needs dog to strengthen and utilize their existing skills.

# Workshops

Workshops are a 1 hour training sessions focused on modifying a problem behavior or teaching a specific skill. Topics include: jumping, door manners/door dashing, barking problems, loose leash walking, socialization strategies/skills and more.



## **About SmartyPaws**

SmartyPaws was established in 2010 and provides positive training, day care and boarding in St. Louis and Metro East IL. SmartyPaws is located in a peaceful St. Louis county setting and offers convenient pick up and drop off services. SmartyPaws offers in-home training, residential boarding (in our home) and board and train. Your dog becomes part of our family, when they stay with us. Reservations are required as we limit the number of dogs to ensure that your dog receives the personal attention they deserve.

Jerri Keller, owner and lead trainer, is a Karen Pryor Professional Dog Trainer (highest of 3 levels available at Karen Pryor Academy), AKC Canine Good Citizen Evaluator, AKC S.T.A.R Puppy Evaluator, and an AKC Community Canine Evaluator for therapy dogs. She has 20+ years of experience working with all types of dogs and behaviors. Jerri is an expert at analyzing a dog's behavior in their natural environments and providing training interventions to modify and improve their behavior.

Jerri was a member of her county's Search and Rescue team where she trained her Doberman to be a cadaver dog and to find lost individuals. Jerri utilizes scientifically proven positive training techniques and is also trained as a veterinary technician.