



Catawba Valley Obedience Club

Serving the Catawba Valley Area, Hickory NC



Training Certifications & AKC Canine Good Citizenship • Family Dog Basics • Rally • Therapy Dog International • AKC Tricks

2023 Class Schedule

Family Dog Basics

This introductory class is designed to get new dog owners and puppy/young dogs off to a good start. It covers tips on how to communicate with your dog by learning commands and general care of your dog.



Covers the Following:

- Sit
- Down
- Stay
- Coming when called
- Walking politely on a leash
- Grooming
- Housetraining & Crate Training
- Physical and Mental Exercise
- Basics of Behavior
- Training Equipment

Class Dates This Class is offered twice in 2023.

- January 12 - February 16, 2023
(Registration opens Dec. 15, 2022)

- July 13 - August 17, 2023
(Registration opens June. 15, 2023)

AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC)

This course is designed to walk dog/handler teams through all of the tests required for CGC dog certification in a group environment. This class is designed to master 10 key skills.



Key Skills Covered:

- Accepting a friendly stranger
- Sitting politely for petting
- Appearance and grooming
- Out for a walk
- Walking through a crowd
- Sit and down on cue/Staying in place
- Coming when called
- Reacting to another dog
- Reacting to distractions
- Supervised separation

Class Dates This Class is only offered ONCE in 2023.

- April 27- May 11, 2023
(Registration opens March 30, 2023)

Beginning Obedience

This is a continuation of our Family Dog Basics Class. Handlers and dogs will learn steps to become a more reliable dog and better companion.



Covers the Following:

- Leave it
- Sit/Stay
- Loose leash walking
- Heeling
- Off
- Recalls/Come when called
- Ignoring other dogs
- Greeting people
- Being petted/groomed by str
- Back

Class Dates This Class is offered twice in 2023.

- March 2 - April 6, 2023
(Registration opens Feb. 2, 2023)

- August 24 - September 28, 2023
(Registration opens July 27, 2023)

Therapy Dog Prep

The Therapy Dog Prep class is for those teams (handler and dog) who are interested in taking the Therapy Dog International (TDI) examination to become a certified therapy dog.



For more information about Therapy Dog international, go to www.tdi-dog.org

Class Overview

- This is NOT an obedience class; all dogs must know basic obedience, and show no aggressive behaviors.
- 4 week class with Mock Test on week 4
- Class size is limited (max 7 dogs)
- This class is specifically targets the 13 Tests needed to pass the examination.
- Dogs will be exposed to noise, crutches, wheelchairs, etc and other medical equipment to mimic medical situations.
- Prior to taking the class all interested handlers should review the Test Requirements at www.tdi-dog.org or [download](#) the informational brochure detailing the skills that will be tested

Class Dates This Class is offered twice in 2023.

- May 25 - June 22, 2023
(Registration opens April 27, 2023)

- October 12- November 16, 2023
(Registration opens Sept. 14, 2023)

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