

# **K-9 Educational Training Center of Hillsborough**

## **Group Obedience Class Descriptions**

Obedience Classes are held indoors in a 6000 sq. ft. climate controlled, matted training facility.

### **“Fresh Beginning” Obedience Class**

This fun-filled, educational class is designed for dogs nine weeks old and older. The purpose of this class is to build and improve your human/dog relationship by using positive reinforcement techniques. K.E.T.C.H. uses exciting and fun games that educate the dog by employing his natural instincts to our advantage. You will learn about your dog's behavior as well as proper dog care and handling techniques. You will learn to shape your dog's behavior by breaking big tasks into smaller ones. Socialization is very important to our canine friends and Social Etiquette in public is important to us. We want you to gain control of your dog through positive management; before your dog gains control of you! KETCH.'s instructors will show you the correct use of toys and treats in training, as well as teach you to reinforce positive behavior. (We believe in preventative behavior modification.) We will address issues like housebreaking, chewing, barking, running away, mouthing, door running, jumping, pulling, chasing etc. K.E.T.C.H.'s “Fresh Beginning” will help you teach your dog to sit, down, come when called, wait, drop it, give, leave it, stay, loose leash walking, off, games, place, as well as an introduction to hand signals. This class is very educational for the entire family! Graduation night your AKC approved instructor will test for the “STAR“ program. This Class is an hour long class, one day per week for six weeks. Register early, class size is limited as we want our instructors to maximize the time spent with each student to ensure that you and your dog receive the best education possible. Start your four legged friend off on the right paw - enroll now. Train your dog while it is young - *prevention is always better than a cure!*

### **K-9 Manners**

This class is designed to improve your canine relationship while proofing your obedience commands with distractions, such as wheelchairs, other dogs, noises, etc... This class will also upgrade your hand signals. The class allows for owners to relax and enjoy the interactions with other people of like interest. With the skills taught in the class, your dog can earn their ***Canine Good Citizen***, an official certificate from the American Kennel Club. A trained dog is a happy dog. Register now. The K-9 Manners class is six weeks long. “Fresh Beginning” obedience class is highly recommended before enrolling in K-9 Manners.

### **Super Dog**

This class is the ultimate challenge to unleash your dog's hidden potential. Super Dog prepares your dog for the unexpected, giving you functional obedience including off leash recalls and walking with distractions. Super Dog class continues both your and your dog's education by adding distance to hand signals and stays as well as working on moving leave-its. Instant recalls during play times are practiced. All of this is accomplished in a relaxed atmosphere which includes socializing with our canine and human friends. Field trips such as group walks on trail and use of an out door yard. Super Dog is held one day per week for six weeks and your dog must have completed KETCH's K-9 Manners class prior to beginning Super Dog. After completing this class dogs are welcome to drop in on this classes for their entire life for a very reasonable fee.

**K.E.T.C.H. also offers Private Lessons, Herding Lessons, Flyball classes, Agility Classes**