#### **PUPPY HEAD START**



Head Start promotes the early learning of critical foundation skills for young puppies. This program supports the comprehensive development of puppies from 10 weeks to age 20 weeks of age. The skills learned through participation in Puppy Head Start prepares puppies for life both in the home and in public.

## What are the benefits of Puppy Head Start?

The benefits of attending Puppy Head Start include:

- Creating an elimination schedule to facilitate house training
- Teaching crate training/confinement skills
- Helping puppies learn self-control
- Proper socialization with people, other puppies, novel objects, surfaces, and sounds
- Early identification of problem behaviors
- Support for puppy parents

## What will my puppy learn in Puppy Head Start?

Puppies will participate in a variety of activities each day they attend Head Start. Their school day may include:

- House training and Crate games
- Mat training for Sit/Down
- Stay/Wait
- Polite walking skills
- Recall
- Leave It
- Trick of the month

#### When is Puppy Head Start in session?

Puppy Head Start is in session Monday through Friday. The Head Start program begins at 9:00 am each day and ends at 1:00 pm. Puppies may be dropped off between 8:30 and 9:00 am, and must be picked up before 1:30 pm each day.

# How many puppies are in the Head Start Program?

Our Puppy Head Start program is currently limited to 4 puppies at a time. This ensures that every puppy receives individual attention, as well as time to rest.

## What is the cost of Puppy Head Start?

A week of Head Start is \$300.00.



## Are there any other benefits to Puppy Head Start?

We encourage our Puppy Head Start students to enroll in Puppy Foundations class for a well-rounded foundation. Puppy Head Start students also receive a 10% discount on Adolescent Manners 1 class enrollment.

## Why do I need to attend classes if my puppy is attending Puppy Head Start?

Puppy Head Start will help your puppy learn foundation skills that you will use for the life of your puppy. Attending classes helps you form a trust-based relationship and helps promote a positive bond between you and your puppy. Attending a class weekly with your puppy will help you learn to work with distractions, and help you establish solid skills for your puppy's interactions with the world around them.

## Will my dog be completely trained after attending Puppy Head Start?

Puppy Head Start training does not take the place of owners working with their puppy at home. You will still need to commit some time to working with your puppy daily. Training your puppy should be fun for both of you!

## When is my puppy eligible for Puppy Head Start?

Puppies must be at least 10 weeks of age to begin Head Start. They must have visited a local veterinarian and have received at least one vaccination from their veterinarian. A minimum of two Distemper (Da2pp) vaccines as well as a negative fecal test is required to begin Head Start. We do not require Bordetella or Canine Influenza vaccinations. Please ask your veterinarian if these should be a part of your puppy's health care plan.

**NO Daycare / Dog Park Policy:** To ensure a safe and healthy environment for our students, puppies enrolled in Puppy Head Start cannot be in areas where they have a higher risk of contracting diseases and parasites. This includes dog daycare and dog parks and is applicable even if the puppy has completed its vaccination series, as they may be in contact with puppies who have only had the first round and are not fully protected yet.



# **PUPPY HEAD START** Your Puppy's Routine

Client's Name:	Date:
Puppy's Name:	Puppy's Breed:
Address:	
Contact Phone Number:	Cell:
Emergency Contact Name:	
Emergency Contact Information:	
Veterinarian's Name & Number:	
My puppy's food is:	
My puppy is fed times per day, at (lis	t times):
My puppy is sensitive to (list foods/treat	s):
My puppy LOVES (list 3 treats):	
My puppy's potty word is:	
My puppy's date of birth:	
My puppy eliminates inside (potty pads)	outside on grass
My puppy's potty schedule is:	
My puppy is or is not crate trained My pu	uppy's crate word:
Is there any additional information you v	vould like to share about your puppy?
I would love my puppy to learn:	

## PUPPY HEAD START Informed Consent



#### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

Puppy Head Start Training: I understand that my puppy's training program is not individually tailored and is designed to accommodate multiple puppies with varying goals.

## TWO PAWS UP DOG TRAINING, INC., POLICIES

Puppy Head Start is taught in a clean and puppy friendly environment with a focus on positive reinforcement-based force-free training. Therefore, the use of punishment and aversive equipment, such as choke, prong, pinch, or electronic collars (whether they provide vibration or shock), is not permitted on our premises. We also do not allow extendable leashes, even when locked, for the safety of our handler/canine teams.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIAL BENEFITS**

I understand that regular training using positive reinforcement has been shown to have definite benefits for both the puppy and owner. It promotes a trust-based relationship, is both family and puppy friendly, and helps create a strong life long bond.

## **PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITES**

I understand that it is my responsibility to 1) fully disclose any of my puppy's health issues or medications that are relevant to participation in a training program; 2) have my dog cease training and report promptly any unusual feelings (e.g., difficulty breathing, apparent injury, lameness, refusal to eat or work) during the training class; and 3) clear my dog's participation in any canine activity with my veterinarian.

#### PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

In agreeing to this Puppy Head Start Training program:

- I acknowledge that my puppy's participation is by my decision.
  - I understand the potential physical risks involved in participating in a training program and believe that the potential benefits outweigh those risks.
  - I give consent to certain physical touching that may be necessary to ensure proper technique and body posture.
  - I understand that the achievement of behavioral, health and/or fitness goals cannot be guaranteed.
  - I have been able to ask questions regarding any concerns I might have and have had those
    questions answered to my satisfaction.
  - My puppy is in good physical condition and healthy, has no impairment which might prevent participation in such activities, and I have been advised to consult with a veterinarian prior to beginning this program.
  - I have been advised to have my puppy cease activity immediately if I see that my puppy is experiencing unusual discomfort and/or if I feel the need to have my puppy stop the program.



I have read and understand the above agreement; I have been able to ask questions regarding any concerns I might have; I have had those questions answered to my satisfaction; and I am freely acknowledging this agreement.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Listed below are our terms and conditions that you accept when you register for one of our classes, private lessons, or Puppy Head Start training.

#### WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, & AGREEMENT TO HOLD HARMLESS

I understand that no training is without inherent risks regardless of the care taken by an instructor and that my puppy's personal safety cannot be guaranteed.

I understand that attendance at any dog training class or private lesson is not without risk to myself, members of my family or any of my guests who may attend, or to my puppy. Some of the puppies that I (we) will be exposed to may be difficult to control and may be the cause of injury even when handled with the greatest of care. In consideration of, and as an inducement to, the acceptance of my registration for classes, whether online, over the phone, or in person, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless and hereby waive and release Two Paws Up Dog Training, Inc., its employees, owners, and agents from any and all liability of any nature of any damage or injury which I, my family, guests, or my puppy might suffer. I expressly assume the risk of any such damage or injury while attending any training sessions or other dog related functions while at Two Paws Up Dog Training, Inc., location, or any location a class is held, or at any location a private lesson may be held. I also understand that the degree to which a dog is successfully trained is a function of the interest, commitment, and cooperation of the owner. I acknowledge and agree that there is no guarantee that my puppy will achieve the desired level of training, despite the best efforts of the instructor or instructors.

### **CANCELLATION POLICIES**

Due to the high level of service we offer our clients, and the nature of our business, we have the following cancellation policies. We strive to offer our clients small, safe, well-staffed classes and other training opportunities.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICIES FOR PUPPY HEAD START TRAINING**

After registering for Puppy Head Start Training, if you need to cancel or make changes to your reservation you must do so more than 1 week before the start date. If you cancel before the start date you will receive a 90% refund one time without penalty. If the puppy is not present at their scheduled appointment, the day will be counted as a completed session. There will be no refunds/credits given for unused or missed training days. Excessive cancellations or no shows may result in dismissal from the program, at the trainer's discretion.

#### **MEDIA RELEASE**

I hereby consent to use of my and/or my dog's photography, videography, likeness or voice on the Internet, or on any other electronic/digital/print media. I agree to release and hold harmless Two Paws Up Dog Training, Inc., FitPAWS® (Ball Dynamics International, LLC), Do More With Your Dog, National Association of Treibball Enthusiasts, and the American Treibball Association from and against any and all



claims, demands, actions, complaints, suits or other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of, or be caused by such use of my or my dog's photograph, likeness or voice. It is further understood, and I do agree that no monies or other consideration in any form, inducing reimbursement for any expenses incurred by me, will become due to me, my heirs, agents, or assigns at any time because of my and/or my dog's participation in any of the above activities or the above-described use of my or my dog's photography, videography, likeness or voice.

**By submitting this form I have read and agree to the terms and the conditions above. **			
Print Your Name			
Your Dog's Name			
Your Signature			
Date	_		





Congratulations on enrolling your puppy in our Head Start Program!

Here is a list of items to bring to make your puppy's training successful.

- A small mat a small bath mat works great!
- A "scented" item such as a t-shirt, baby blanket, or plush toy something that has the familiar scent of home
- A supply of treats small, stinky, and soft are best
- 4 or 6 foot leash, collar and/or harness no choke or prong collars!
- A small amount of your puppy's food in a Ziploc bag or enclosed container
- Your puppy's lunch (if applicable)
- Several chew items bully sticks, hooves, frozen stuffed kongs, nylabones are some of our favorites

We do have a selection of treats and chew items available for purchase. If your puppy does not have "something to do" during crate rest, or runs out of treats we will provide something from our stock and bill you accordingly.

While some puppies may work for their kibble at home a stronger value treat is needed for Head Start.