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### **BOARD AND TRAIN: Training Programs**

Board and Train is a training option wherein a dog comes and lives at our small-scale kennel and gets intensive training, exercise, and socialization for a period of training. The dog stays with us at the kennel, and is integrated into our daily routine. They receive our top-notch boarding and daycare as well as a training every day. The owner is involved in the process with interactive shared training log, daily photo training updates, co-training during board-and-train, 2 free training consultations post stay, free enrollment in our group classes for 1 year, and email training support for a year post stay.

SkyHi trainers firmly believe that the more the owner is involved in training the better the results. We do not and cannot honestly *guarantee* any of our board and train programs. There is no such thing as guaranteeing behavior. There are several other kennels that offer board and train with guaranteed results. We have heard from people who have used these services and been disappointed. When you send a dog to SkyHi for training, we will be honest with you about what we can achieve, and work with you to make sure you and your dog can work together. We can get dogs behaving well, and responding to us within minutes, but that does not solve any of your problems at home. YOU need to be involved.

How is SkyHi different? All of our trainers have received or are working on a degree in Anthrozoology at Carroll College, and some are continuing their education through various certifying organizations. We approach dog-training academically, and use current research to guide our decision making and training implementation. Additionally, we do not kennel dogs all day. Our board and train dogs get upwards of 2.5-3 hrs of daily training plus social play-groups,

hike based exercise, and one-on-one attention. We spend all of our waking hours (and hours we should be sleeping) exercising, interacting with, and facilitating training for the dogs in our care.

When you sign your dog up for board and train, you are paying for high quality, hands-on behavior troubleshooting, custom cue and task training, exposure, and socialization. You are not getting a perfect, finished dog at the end of your program. We will have started all of the behavior and it is up to you, in combination with our coaching, to finish. Owning and training a dog is a lifelong commitment. Dogs are sentient, cognitive creatures and behavior changes quickly when influenced by complex environmental and home factors. We really enjoy working with owners to achieve their goals, and feel the hands-on, intensive training that dogs get in our board and train programs can be successful with owner involvement and transfer of knowledge.

If you have a dog in need of continuous training, and don't have a schedule that allows for daily training, or have lifestyle or medical issues that inhibit your involvement, or you feel you are in need of help curating and sticking to a training plan, a board-and-train option may be a good fit to establish foundations for your dog and get you both in the habit of daily training.

Our goal is to shape positive behaviors for you and your dog and help you transition those behaviors to your household, family, and lifestyle.

As our model is contingent on owner involvement, we discourage people from out of town to use our board-and-train program unless they are committed to doing Skype consultations and using our remote training support.

### **How it works:**

All potential Board and Train clients must schedule a face-to-face consult with one of our trainers before reserving a program. This will take place on a weekday evening or Saturday at 1350 Cherry Ave. We need to make sure our plan will be a good fit, meet you and your dog, and establish a good line of communication before moving forward with the training. You can contact our office 502-2005 or email [skyhikennelinfo@gmail.com](mailto:skyhikennelinfo@gmail.com) to schedule an initial appointment.

Once we have discussed options for you and your dog we will book a reservation. A %50 deposit is required for all Board and Train reservations. We will collect this at reservation time. If you end up changing your plans this is %100 refundable if you cancel prior to a week from the booking. If you cancel within a week we will keep the %50 deposit.

### **Board and Train Includes:**

- Training plan: 1-3 trainings per day depending on plan and program
- 2 meals/day
- Personalized attention from staff.
- Early morning/Late night turnouts
- Outdoor and free-run indoor daycare and boarding playgroups when not training

- Interactive online training plan
- Shared training notes each day
- Daily report card complete with pictures and videos
- 2 free one-on-one follow up training sessions post-board-and-train
- 1 year training support via email
- Free access to any SkyHi group class for life of dog to maintain behavior

## *Program Options:*

### **Off-Lead Life**

**3-5 weeks: \$2,500-\$3,900**

Duration is based on individual dog. Some dogs and owners will grasp training concepts more quickly than others. 3 weeks is a minimum length of time.

In this program, we focus on outdoor and trail-based behaviors such as recall, off-lead heel, focus and attention around livestock, wildlife, bikes, and horses. We will focus on getting your dog to maintain focus and attention on handler in several different locations with increasing distraction. Our goal with off-lead life is to encourage handler focus in all situations both urban and rural so that you can trust your dog off-lead in a variety of situations.

Each reservation can be custom-fit to your lifestyle. We can teach bike-heel, obedience from horseback, paddle-board, ski-joring, bike-joring, jogging.

### **Good Citizen**

**3-5 weeks: \$2,500-\$3,900**

Duration is based on individual dog. Some dogs and owners will grasp training concepts more quickly than others. 3 weeks is a minimum length of time.

In Good Citizen, we focus on polite-greeting behavior, loose-leash walking, down-stay, calm/chill behavior in busy settings and exposure to different hectic urban scenarios, leave-it, eye-contact, and tethering around town. We will focus on shaping handler focus and attention in busy, urban scenarios. Our goal with Good Citizen is to enable your dog to have the skills to cope with busy, human centric environments. This is a good option for you if you're considering therapy work for your dog (note: NOT service work, this is not a service dog training program), or if you want a 'Downtown Dog' able to run errands, and go everywhere with you from your friends backyard BBQ to your workplace.

Each reservation can be custom-fit to your lifestyle. We can start all behavior associated with the Canine Good Citizen test, and create a custom training plan based on specific goals you have for your dog.

## **Behavior Rehabilitation**

**3-6 weeks: \$2,500-\$4,620**

Duration is based on individual dog. Some dogs and owners will grasp training concepts more quickly than others. And some behavioral issues are more difficult to eradicate. 3 weeks is a minimum length of time.

This program is built to address specific behavioral issues such as leash reactivity and frustration, some forms of separation anxiety, fear-reactivity.

Our goal is to work with the owner to establish a training routine that will allow a dog to feel confident with their environment, as well as teach owners how to control or manage their dogs behavior if we feel it cannot be modified.

## **Behavior Bootcamp \$119/day**

A shortened board and train program wherein we focus on 2-3 behaviors of your choice. This is a good addition if you are already planning on boarding and want your dog to get training during the day as well.

Shared training notes included. As is 1 free co-training at end of stay.

This does not apply for dogs in need of behavior reconditioning.

## **Kindergarden K-9:**

½ day Puppy daycare + exposure/socialization training

Age limit: 16 weeks- 6 months

M-F for 2 week increments: \$830

### **Includes:**

- 4 hrs of daycare
- 1 off-site training/day
- Shared Training log
- Daily report card with photo
- 1 free training consultation per week (2 total)

