

miami valley Pet Therapy association (mvPTa)

mvPTa offers multiple 7-week training courses each year. The purpose of the class is to teach handlers the basic skills required for visiting with their pet. Topics include: Role play in handling yourself and your pet in a variety of situations; recognizing animal's behavioral signs of stress; learning methods to de-stress an animal; etiquette during visits; HIPAA and other facility policies; and how to prepare for a visit. Teams, both student and animal are evaluated for suitability for pet therapy throughout the 7-week class.

Course Pre-Requisites:

Pet Aptitude: Confident, calm, cooperative, gets along with animals and people, adjusts to changes in the environment.

Pet Manners/Obedience: This is not an obedience training class. Dogs must have the following basic skills prior to starting class, which will be evaluated by a prescreening process prior to week 1. If not proficient in these skills, the team will not be accepted into class. Needed skills: sit, down, stay, walk with a loose leash, greet people/animals calmly.

Collar Requirements:

Allowed Collars: Only buckle, quick release, and martingale (without chain).

Not Allowed Collars: Slip, training (choke chains, prong collars, shock collars) body and/or head harnesses.

Pet Age: Pets must have lived with the handler for at least 1 year.

Handler Age: Handlers must be at least 12 years old and accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times until they are 16 years of age. Handlers need a parent's approval from the age of 16 – 18 years old.

Vet Check Form: You will be sent a vet check form to be completed by your veterinarian. A negative fecal test needs to be completed within 30 days of prescreening.

Course Locations	Day	Time	Start/End Date	Mandatory Dates
Bethany Lutheran Village 6451 Far Hills Ave Dayton, OH	Monday	10:00-11:30am	August 27 – October 29 * No class on September 3 and October 1	August 27 October 15, 22, 29
St. Leonard Franciscan Center 8200 Provincial Way	Tuesday	6:30-8:00pm	September 4 – October 23	September 4 October 9, 16, 23
Fairborn Senior Center 325 North 3rd Street Fairborn, OH	Wednesday	6:30-8:00pm	September 5 – October 24	September 5 October 10, 17, 24

mvPTa Class Registration Form

To attend our next session, complete this form and return it with the \$50 fee to: mvPTa, P. O. Box 675, Troy, OH 45373. If two people attend with one pet, the cost is \$100.00. Contact our office (937)286-0028 if you have any questions.

Remember: certain classes fill up more quickly. Don't delay in sending in your registration!

Make check or money order payable to "Miami Valley Pet Therapy Association"

PLEASE return this form by August 3, 2018

QUESTIONS? Call our office at (937) 286-0028

* Note: if you are repeating a class, there is no charge for the same handler, same pet.

Handler Information

Handler's Name _____	Home Phone: _____
Handler's Address _____ _____	Cell Phone: _____
Occupation: _____	E-Mail: _____
Which course are you signing up for? Location _____ Day _____ Time _____	

(See Listing for choices of locations. Must have at least 6 people per location to hold the class.)

Pet Information

Pet's Name: _____	Date of Birth _____
Pet Species: _____	Breed: _____
Training Experience: _____	

How long has the pet lived with you? _____

How did you hear about us: Friend Dog Club Veterinarian Other _____

For office use only: Date Received _____ Order _____
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