



*Pet Pointers Training Academy & Behavior Helpline*  
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## Orientation for the Pet Pointers Training Academy

Welcome to the New Albany Floyd County Animal Control's Pet Pointers Training Academy. My name is Theresa Stilger. I am a registered veterinary technician and am currently the Animal Care Coordinator at the New Albany Floyd County Animal Control & Shelter. The Good Dog! Beginner Class will be on Sunday evenings from 6-7pm at Hillside Animal Clinic.

All participants are required to have a signed waiver, medical history form, and class rules form on file before attending the first class. Any dog may be dismissed from class at any time if I feel that the dog is exhibiting uncontrollable aggression or signs of illness.

Please come to class prepared each week. Every dog needs to have a training collar and 6 foot leash. I prefer that dogs wear a combination nylon/chain martingale collar or a Gentle Leader. Gentle Leaders can be fitted and/or purchased through the shelter by appointment. The non slip combination collars are available locally at Petsmart or Superpetz. If you would prefer another type of collar, please let me know. Each trainer needs to be wearing pants (pockets are a MUST), and comfortable non-slip shoes. Dog treats are necessary for our classes. Soft treats that can be broken into very small pieces are the best. Please bring your treats to class!

Everyone is responsible for cleaning up after his or her own dog. Clean up materials will be provided, and will be used. If your dog has a stool anywhere, including outside the building, you will be expected to clean it up! Failure to do so may result in dismissal from the class.

The Good Dog! Class is meant to be fun for both you and your dog, besides helping to make your pet a great companion. Basic Obedience and agility exercises will be introduced. Relax, practice, and enjoy!

If I happen to be out of town, additional class days will be added.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or problems!

Theresa Stilger, RVT