

## Credentials

Kevin R. Cooper is a certified professional dog trainer. Trained at the National K-9 School of Dog Trainers, his certification is recognized by the Ohio State Board of Career Colleges and Schools and is internationally accepted. He is a member of the following professional organizations: International Association of Canine Professionals and National K-9's Graduate Association.

An avid dog fancier, Kevin has been around dogs most of his life and understands canine personalities and behaviors. He and his wife Shannon currently have three dogs; a Miniature Long-haired Dachshund named Piper, a Miniature Longhaired Dachshund named Lexi and a Standard Smooth Dachshund named Easton.

International Association of Canine Professionals:

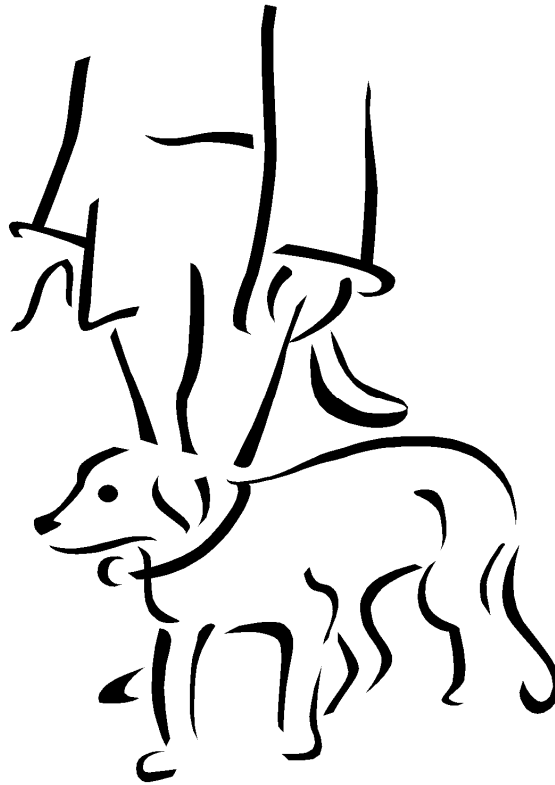
[www.dogpro.org](http://www.dogpro.org)

National K-9's Graduate Association:

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## Northeast Arkansas' Professional Dog Training Solution



***"Closing the gap created by the leash."***

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## Our Approach



Nothing gives us more pride and satisfaction than seeing owners enjoying their dogs to the fullest. It is our goal to offer quality education programs for all dogs and their families. We are dedicated to helping families to improve their relationship with their dogs.

Canine Connections believes that obedience training is dog education. In fact, we believe that obedience training is as important to dogs as elementary education is to children. We believe that your relationship with your dog should be based on fair and effective communication. This sound communication is the key to improving and enhancing your family's relationship with your dog. We want to "Close the gap created by the leash" and we know the best way to accomplish this is through comprehensive obedience training and owner education.

Canine Connections is dedicated to providing you and your dog with the best training and counseling available with each dog and family receiving the personal attention they deserve. Your dog's training is based on its individual personality, behavior history, or learning ability, breed characteristics, social development, and most importantly your goals. We understand that there is no single method that can be used to train every dog. Canine Connections has the ability to adjust your dog's training based on your dog and your goals. Your dog's training will be designed to teach your dog useful obedience commands, good manners, and acceptable behavior. Your dog's training would not be complete without you, the owner, learning how to properly handle and effectively communicate with your dog.



## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is Canine Connections' training approach?

Our approach takes into account your needs as the owner and the personality of the dog. It is based on one of the six dog personalities (or combinations of personalities) as well as past and present behaviors of the dog. We do not believe in a "cookie-cutter" or that there is only one way to approach dog training. What may have worked for your neighbor's dog, may not work for yours. Understanding this, we adjust our training to the dog to achieve the best results possible.

### How old should my dog be before it starts training?

Although we recommend beginning your dog's training as early as possible, dogs of all ages are able to learn. Most dogs are ready to begin training as early as 14 to 16 weeks of age. Upon completion of a pre-enrollment evaluation, we will advise you as to whether or not your dog is ready for training.

### How much does your training cost?

Canine Connections has training programs and options to meet most budgets. The advantage of working one on one with a trainer is that each dog is approached and trained according to his/her personality type, behavior problems (if any), and family's goals, thus making it more cost effective.

We provide program discounts for families who wish to have multiple dogs trained or have had a dog trained by Canine Connections in the past. We also offer discounts to Veterans. We will explain in detail your training options and the cost involved during your pre-enrollment evaluation.

### What do you require in order to start training my dog?

We first require a pre-enrollment evaluation. This evaluation will help us to better understand your dog's behavior as well as get an understanding of what your goals are.

We will also require that you have proof that your dog is current on its vaccinations.

They may be other requirements, but they can depend on your specific training needs and they can be addressed during the evaluation.

## Advantages of Professional Dog Training

While professional dog training may cost more than conventional club training or large group sessions the benefits greatly outweigh the additional investment. Unless you have a lot of time to work with your dog at home (two or more hours each day), large group classes seldom provide the results you desire. The benefits of professional and individualized dog training include:

- 🐾 one-on-one training designed to meet your dog's personality, aptitude, social development, and your family's goals
- 🐾 training sessions that can be scheduled to match your calendar
- 🐾 all of the attention during our training instruction will be focused on you and your dog
- 🐾 continuing assistance is always available
- 🐾 you will be working with a professionally trained and experienced, certified dog trainer that is familiar with varied training approaches and behavior problem solving
- 🐾 you and your dog will not get lost in the circus atmosphere of group sessions, club training, or pet store classes



## Services

We offer a variety of services to meet your training needs. After evaluating your dog, Canine Connections can assist you in selecting a program that best fits the needs of you family and the personality of your dog. If you are seeking information or services that may not be listed, please feel free to contact us with your questions.

Services include:

### 🐾 Obedience Training

Teaching your dog to walk nicely on the leash without pulling, Sit, Down, Stay and to Come when called are just some of the commands we can teach your dog to execute.

### 🐾 Behavior Modification

With a foundation in obedience, we can address issues such as jumping up on people and furniture, inappropriate chewing, digging, excessive barking, etc...

### 🐾 Puppy / Dog Breed counseling

Let us help you find the perfect dog for you! Unsure what kind of dog will fit in with your lifestyle? We can counsel you on and assist you in the selection of that perfect dog.

### 🐾 Puppy Temperament Testing

With just a few simple but proven tests we can evaluate puppies and determine what role they could potentially fill later in life. Breeders often use these tests to ensure they match the dog with compatible owners.

### 🐾 Puppy pre-school / socialization

An absolutely essential fundamental step in molding that loveable little ball of fur into the role he was meant to fill; your best friend. Proper socialization around different people, places and things is the key to having a great dog.

### 🐾 Service Dog Training

Do you suffer from a physical disability? Have you considered how much a canine can assist you in your daily activities? Contact us with your needs and we can help you select and train the right dog for tasks you need assistance with.

### 🐾 Canine Education Programs

Are you a teacher, school administrator, civic organization or club that is looking to learn more about canine behavior? We can tailor a lecture and demonstration for your class or organization, at no cost to your organization. Topics of discussion can include: Canine Behavior Issues; Teaching children appropriate behavior around dogs; Bite prevention; etc...