

Humane Society Naples & The AKC

The American Kennel Club is not just about making champions—they are the dog's Champion!

The Humane Society Naples & The SW Florida Professional Dog Trainers Alliance believes all dogs deserve an opportunity for quality training.

S.T.A.R Puppy Program—What is it?

The **AKC S.T.A.R Puppy** is an exciting new program designed to get new puppies and their owners off to a good start. Any Puppy under 1 year of age is eligible to participate. Our classes are taught by AKC Certified Instructors and are conducted over 8 weeks of flexible sessions.



The Benefits of Early Training

Our Training classes teach you and your puppy how to communicate effectively and training your puppy promotes a strong, healthy bond. Our organized group classes also allow an opportunity for proper socialization with other puppies and contributes to building strong social skills.



How The Program Works

The first 4-week session includes proper socialization, appropriate puppy play, impulse control and puppy obedience. We address common puppy raising challenges such as housebreaking, chewing, nipping and crate training. Additionally, our classes address nutrition and its importance for a healthy, happy puppy.

The second 4-week session adds fluency to all obedience skills. We continue to build cooperative skills and create high levels of social tolerance and adaptability in the puppy. We also teach 2 fun tricks and add intro to agility for confidence building skills.

Testing is completed before the final session.

Upon successful completion of the certification, your puppy will receive the following:

- A beautiful, frame-able certificate designating your puppy as an AKC S.T.A.R.
- Discounted enrollment in the AKC Companion Animal Recovery Program.
- Monthly email AKC Newsletter
- The AKC Puppy S.T.A.R. Medal
- The AKC Puppy Handbook

