



PAWSITISM INC.
Service Dogs For Those With Autism

Puppy Raiser

Welcome Packet



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Mission

Pawsitism, Inc. strives to provide a family with a personally and professionally trained Service Dog that will enhance the life of a child with autism and ensure success through continuing education for the family.

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***Thank you for choosing such a wonderful volunteer opportunity!
Prior to meeting with one of our Pawsitism members for a consultation,
we request that you print one copy of this packet and complete all forms
for our records. All private information will remain confidential.***

Included in this packet you will find:

- Pawsitism Inc Mission and Contact Information
- Puppy Raiser Application
- Puppy Raiser Training Kit
- Pet Information Form
- Training Timeline

Please have the following prepared for the initial consultation:

- Puppy Raiser Application
- Pawsitism Volunteer Application/Orientation Handbook

Items Included in Puppy Raiser Welcome Kit:

Puppy Raiser Welcome Kit(Refer Below):

- ___ Flat Collar, Leash, ID Tag, Long Line
- ___ Easy Walk Harness
- ___ Prong (To be used later)
- ___ Service Dog Cape
- ___ Service Dog Harness (comes later)
- ___ Crate
- ___ Toys (Teething toys, puzzle toys, etc.)
- ___ Puppy Food (Bentley's PupStuff Monthly Donation)
- ___ Treats (Momentum Carnivore Bi-Monthly)
- ___ Training Book and Homework
- ___ Water Bottle
- ___ Grooming Tools(Brush, Comb, Ear Cleaner, Septic Powder)
- ___ Training tools (Treat Pouch, Clicker, Training Treats)
- ___ Dog Booties (Small)
- ___ Doggie First Aid Kit

Recommended Items to purchase:

- Baby gate/X-Pen
- Old towels
- Puppy Shampoo
- Dog Bed
- Additional toys/chew toys
- Additional Treats

Puppy Raiser Q&A

- **When to feed?**
2 times a day
- **What to feed?**
Food is donated from Bentley's PupStuff
- **How much to feed?**
Vary depends on age.
- **Rules for food**
No feeding from the table. No people food. What kind of treats are okay/not okay? Jackpot treats are ok such as string cheese, summer sausage, hotdog.
- **Potty words?**
What you choose
- **Basic commands to work on.**
Refer to handout.
- **What are appropriate/not appropriate toys?**
Confirm with Lead Trainer.
- **Is it okay for the puppy to be up on furniture?**
Varies
- **Does the puppy have to sleep in a crate?**
Yes. Until 1 year of age.
- **Can I leave the puppy loose when it is home alone?**
No. The puppy must be under supervision when not in a crate.
- **Where should the puppy ride in the car?**
In a crate in the back. Seatbelt when big enough or attached with a harness clip.
- **When to/when not to wear a Service Dog cape?**
The puppy should wear the cape at any time that it is working.
- **Where is it okay to take the puppy?**
On campus, when off campus, please ask the Lead Trainer for places that are ok.
- **When should I wear my Pawsitism shirt/clothing?**
When out and about with the puppy. Whenever you are representing Pawsitism.
- **How should I describe to someone what the puppy is being trained to do?**
Give a coordinating baseball card and info sheet. Refer to the mission and Pawsitism FAQs.
- **How should I describe to someone what Pawsitism Inc. does?**
Refer to the info card and handout.