

Here is a list of classes that will be offered in 2018. New Levels and Categories have been created for our Agility Training Program.

There are three categories of classes: Essential Skills, Agility Obstacles, Agility Handling
There are four levels of classes: I, II, III, IV

The goal of the categories is for students to be able to focus on one or multiple facets of agility training. The goal of the levels is to give a clear progress ladder for students to focus on.

Levels are based on skill, not competition level. Students are likely (and encouraged) to move back and forth between the levels and categories, choosing classes based on what your individual team needs.

Many classes have prerequisites so that the skill level within classes is comparable and more work as a group can be accomplished. Each class will have a specific list of objectives that must be completed by a team to be able to move on to the next level or class.

As the Obedience Program grows, it will also have levels and prerequisites for students to work through.

Essential Skills I - 8 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$250

Who teaches this class? Megan, Diana, Susan, Hali

Goal/Objective of this class: introduce key training philosophies and skills needed for training within our program. This class is appropriate for any team new to training regardless of interest in sports. Skills covered in this class:

- Ring entrance
- Leash removal/leash on
- Transports
- Loopy training
- Recalls
- Being held/restrained
- Location specific reward markers
- Toy play
- Dealing with errors
- Sounds
- Surfaces

Prerequisite: None. Dogs 8 weeks and older are welcome.

To skip this class, students may schedule an assessment with any of the approved instructors for this class.

Essential Skills II - 6 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$190

Who teaches this class? Megan, Diana, Susan, Hali

Goal/Objective of this class: continue skills taught in ES1 as well as introduce more advanced training skills that are important to obstacle training in agility. Skills covered in this class:

- Focus games
- Startline routine
- Cone
- Location specific reward marker
- stretching/warm-ups
- Table w/automatic down

Prerequisite: Completion of Essential Skills I or passing exam; 16 weeks and older.

To skip this class, students may schedule an assessment with any of the approved instructors for this class.

Essential Skills III - Conflict Free Toy Play - 6 weeks - 8 dogs maximum - Cost is \$165

Who teaches this class? Megan

Goal/Objective of this class: give handlers a way to use toys in a non-aversive way even with dogs and humans that do not share their toys well! Skills covered in this class:

- Two toy games
- One toy games
- Toy marker words
- Tugging mechanics
- Retrieves
- Clean toy skills

Prerequisite: Completion of Essential Skills II or passing exam; 6 months and older.

This is not a required class, but strongly recommended if you are having toy troubles, avoid using toys in training, or have found that you do not have conflict free toy play.

Agility Handling I - 6 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$190

Who teaches this class? Megan, Mike, Hali

Goal/Objective of this class: handlers will be introduced to OneMind Dogs theories and training methods and learn about the seven handling elements and how the dog's naturally respond to these cues. Skills covered in this class:

- Learning about rewards/getting to know your puppy
- Offering the jump
- Following the handling
- Sending forward
- Reacting to rhythm changes

- No chasing
- Lead changes
- Go around a wing
- Keeping commitment
- Handling on the flat

Prerequisite: Completion of Essential Skills I or passing exam; 16 weeks and older.

To skip this class, students may schedule an assessment with any of the approved instructors for this class.

Agility Handling II - 6 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$190

Who teaches this class? Megan, Mike

Goal/Objective of this class: this class builds on the skills introduced in AgH1 to ensure a balance of obstacle and handler focus and building small sequences of obstacles together.

Prerequisite: Completion of Agility Handling 1; 5 months and older.

To skip this class, students may schedule an assessment with any of the approved instructors for this class.

Agility Handling III - A) Technique Training, B) Technique Application, and C) Ready to Compete

A) Technique Training - 12 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$375

These classes will consist of human dog training, basic training, virtual dog training, short sequence training. In most cases, only jumps and tunnels will be used.

- Technique Training will be broken into 4, 12-week sessions.
- Techniques 1: Megan, Mike, Melissa
- Techniques 2: Megan, Mike
- Techniques 3: Megan, Mike
- Techniques 4: Megan, Mike

Prerequisite: Completion of Agility Handling 2; 7 months and older.

B) Technique Application - 4 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$125

Who teaches this class? Megan, Mike, Melissa

These classes will use longer coursework highlighting where specific techniques can be used and fine tuning those techniques at speed in a variety of sequences. In most cases, only jumps and tunnels will be used.

Prerequisite: Completion of Technique Training of any level. Each individual Technique Application class will list the specific techniques that should be known.

C) Are We Ready to Compete? - 4 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$125

Who teaches this class? Megan

Goal/Objective of this class: students can use these 4 weeks to learn about entering a competition and assessing their skills on complete courses at the Novice and Open levels. Skills covered in this class:

- Entering a competition/what to expect
- Skills assessment
- Training plans
- Trial-like training days w/video commentary
- Trial plans

Prerequisite: Completion of Technique Training 1, Technique Application (1 session), Agility Obstacles 3

This is not a required class, but extremely recommended to teams new to agility competition or teams unsure if they are ready to compete or not. Dogs should be 15 months old.

Agility Handling IV - A) Competition Coursework, B) Challenge Coursework

A) Competition Coursework - 4 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$125

Who teaches this class? Megan, Mike,

Goal/Objective of this class: give students a chance to practice full courses based on actual AKC (& USDAA) level courses and receive feedback and help with training plans. Students can expect:

Levels include: 1. Novice/Open(Starters/Advanced), 2. Excellent/Masters(Masters), 3. Premier(Masters Challenge)

- Timed walk-throughs
- Video commentated run throughs
- Walk-through strategies
- Training plans
- Mental training and support
- Goal planning

Each individual class will have a required level that teams must be competing at to join.

Prerequisite: Completion of Agility Obstacles III and Completion of (any) Technique Training, and/or Are We Ready to Compete w/recommendation that your team is ready for more competition coursework.

B) Challenge Coursework - 4 weeks - 4 dogs maximum - Cost is \$165

Who teaches this class? Megan, Mike

Goal/Objective of this class: give students who seek an extra challenge in their coursework skills a chance to run international level courses and course challenges not commonly seen in North American competitions.

Prerequisite: Completion of all Technique Training classes and approved application. Note there are fewer dogs allowed in this class.

Agility Obstacles I - 8 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$250

Who teaches this class? Megan, Diana, Susan, Hali

Goal/Objective of this class: introduce dogs to a variety of props and objects to encourage confidence and desire for working with different types of obstacles. Skills covered in this class:

- Weaving between legs
- Walking on boards/planks
- Walking on moving objects
- Teeter banging noise
- Tunnels
- Wing alley
- Tire

Prerequisite: Completion of Essential Skills 1 or passing exam. 16 weeks and older.

To skip this class, students may schedule an assessment with any of the approved instructors for this class.

Agility Obstacles II - 8 weeks - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$250

Who teaches this class? Megan, Diana, Susan, Hali

Goal/Objective of this class: teach dogs an end behavior for all three contact obstacles, name, and proof those behaviors before moving on to actual obstacle training.

- 4on for teeter
- 2o2o for dogwalk
- Running aframe box work
- Continue channel weave pole training

Prerequisite: Completion of Essential Skills 2 or passing exam. 6 months and older.

To skip this class, students may schedule an assessment with any of the approved instructors for this class.

Agility Obstacles III - two, 8 week sessions - 6 dogs maximum - Cost is \$250/session

Who teaches this class? Megan, Diana, Susan, Hali

Goal/Objective of this class: take the named behavior for all three contact obstacles and back-chain those behaviors on the teeter, dogwalk, and a-frame and sequence those obstacles in longer chains learning about different ways of rewarding those obstacles and transferring reinforcement to other obstacles.

Prerequisite: Completion of Agility Obstacles II or passing exam. 8 months and older.

To skip this class, students may schedule an assessment with any of the approved instructors for this class.

Agility Obstacles IV - A) Problem Solving, B) Advanced Skills

A) Problem Solving: Contacts and Weaves - 4 weeks - 6 Dogs maximum - cost is \$125

Who teaches this class? Megan, Diana, Susan, Hali

Goal/Objective of this class: students that have completed Agility Obstacles III and are experiencing problems in competition with any of their contacts or weave poles. Instructors will observe the problem, provide feedback, and help students with a systematic training plan to clean up any issues you may be having.

B) Advanced Skills: contacts and weaves - 4 weeks - 6 Dogs maximum - cost is \$125

Who teaches this class? Megan

Goal/Objective of this class: contact/tunnel and weave/tunnel discrimination and total independence on all obstacles.

Prerequisite of these classes: completion of Agility Obstacles 3/instructor approval

Drop-in Agility Classes - A) self-guided agility practice B) OneMind Dogs Challenge Club

A) Self-Guided Agility Practice - \$25/class - when available

This class is open to students that have completed the first 8 weeks of AgO3 and AgH2. This will be open to 4 dogs per hour when ring time is available and an instructor is present to supervise self-guided practice. Instruction is not included in this “class”

B) OneMind Dogs Challenge Club - \$30/class - when available

This will be an *instructor or student* guided class. You can read about the [Challenge Club Here](#)

If you are interested in guiding a challenge club for a week/month, please let me know!

The challenge club will be open to any student wishing to participate so long as the challenge is suitable for your team. Recommended level: Completion of AgO3 and some technique training.

Obedience, Rally, & Fenzi Team Classes - 6 week sessions - cost is \$165/session

Who teaches this class? Diana

Contact Diana: dianahoyem@gmail.com for more information on our Obedience Program!

More detailed descriptions and lists of class objectives will be posted online in the near future.

Everything is always subject to change, and who teaches what will constantly be updated as well as more instructors add more curriculum to their plate! Also, if someone only lists “Megan” as an instructor for a class now, that is likely to change over the next few months as instructors let me know what they’d like to teach!

Classes will be offered based on highest demand of the students and what classes are needed most at various times.

These classes have been designed to encourage the best path of progress for students no matter what kind of time they have to commit to their classes. Whether you are taking 1 class or 6 per session, each team will be able to work on what they need to progress as a team.