

Application Continued

Are you willing to commit one night a week for the length of the course, in addition to time spent at home training? ___ Yes ___ No

Every effort will be made to maintain the safety of all Citizen's Police Canine Academy participants. Are you willing to sign a waiver releasing the City of Lenoir and its employees from liability resulting from injuries/damages sustained during the course? ___ Yes ___ No

Applicant Signature:

_____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature
If less than 18:

_____ Date: _____



Course Registration

- Citizens interested in attending this course must submit the application form to the Lenoir Police Department no later than August 26th. Accepted applicants will be notified by the phone number provided.
 - Applicants must be 16 years of age or older. (Applicants between the age of 16 to 18 must be accompanied by an adult at all times)
 - Only applicants from inside Caldwell County will be considered, with priority going to residents of the City of Lenoir.
 - **No dogs under 6 months of age will be accepted.**
 - Only one dog allowed per household.
 - Applicants are subject to a background check and must sign a release of liability.
 - Dogs must have current vaccinations to include distemper, parvo, rabies, and kennel cough. Immunization records **MUST** be submitted on or before the first class meeting.
 - All dogs must be receiving regular flea and tick treatments.
 - Training will require the use of chain slip collars, approved leashes, and some type of reward item. Equipment will be discussed during the first training session.
- * If you have questions about the course, contact a canine instructor at 828-757-2100 ***



Lenoir Police Department Annual Citizen's Canine Academy Fall 2021



Announcement

The Lenoir Police Department is hosting its annual “Citizen’s Canine Academy” during the Summer/Fall months of 2021. K-9 Officers from within the department will be instructing citizens on basic obedience exercises and assisting citizens with obedience concerns with their pets. This training will provide owners a chance to conduct “hands on” training with their pet to improve obedience control.

*** No aggression/protection training is offered during this course. No overly aggressive dogs will be accepted. ***

*** There is no cost to attend training; however, donations to supplement the canine budget will be accepted. ***

About the Training

Training will begin on September 2nd and will last for 7 weeks. Students will meet every Thursday evening during the course. Each session will last from 6:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. This allows for a one hour block of instruction to review what has been learned during previous sessions, introduce new exercises, and address individual problems. Training will take place at various locations inside the city. Class size will be limited to provide an appropriate instructor/handler ratio. **** This training is conducted outdoors and requires standing for long periods of time and continuous walking. ****

Who Should Attend?

Citizens who have a desire to begin basic obedience instruction with their dogs may be interested in this course. Instructors are prepared to work “one on one” with handlers to address specific problems related to obedience.

About the Instructors

Zachery Poythress has 12 years of law enforcement experience with 10 years as a canine handler with the Lenoir Police Department. Although no longer working a dog, he is the Canine Unit Supervisor and Trainer. He is also a Certified Police K9 Team Instructor and Police Canine Trainer.

McDean Foust has 9.5 years of law enforcement experience with 3 years as a canine handler at the Lenoir Police Department. He has attended a handler’s course at the police department. He is currently working canine Uweis, a German Shepherd.

Derek Brown has 9.5 years of law enforcement experience with 1.5 years as a canine handler at the Lenoir Police Department. He has attended a handler’s course at the police department. He is currently working canine Major, a German Shepherd.

Joe Lo has 21 years of law enforcement experience and is the newest member of the canine unit at the Lenoir Police Department. He has attended a handler’s course at the police department. He is currently working canine Atos, a German Shepherd.



Application

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Driver’s License Number: _____
Employer: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime?
___ Yes ___ No (if yes, explain below)

Why do you wish to attend the Canine Academy?

Canine Information

Name: _____
Breed: _____
Age: _____ Weight: _____

Neck collar size in inches: _____

Veterinarian Used: _____

Is dog current on all vaccination? ___ Yes ___ No

Can you provide a shot record? ___ Yes ___ No

Is your dog currently using flea and tick medication?
___ Yes ___ No

Is your dog aggressive towards people or animals?
___ Yes ___ No (if yes, list which below)

What current obedience commands does your dog perform?