



TEACHER'S PACKET



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Blueberry Bear Tales

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Blueberry Bear Tales

WELCOME TO My CLASSROOM

Authors make a difference by: connecting, motivating, inspiring, and empowering.

Therapy Dogs make a difference by:

- Improving kids' moods.
- Helping students learn and engage more in activities and lessons.
- Providing confidence-boosting benefits.
- Helping build social skills, self- and social-awareness, self management, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making.

Thank you for inviting my therapy dog and I to your school.



In this packet you will find:

- WELCOME TO MY CLASSROOM
- Curriculum Guide
- Book Order form
- Therapy Dogs' bios
- Therapy Dog Classroom Rules
- Therapy Dog papers
- *Create a Buzz* (pre-activities to visit)
- *Creating & Learning* (activities)



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Today's Lesson Plan

TOPIC: Therapy Dogs
GRADE LEVEL: PK – 3

STND: CASEL 5
Competencies:



Self-Awareness

Therapy Dogs: Therapy dogs enrich the lives of people without judgement. They motivate, offer affection, provide comfort and support in the physical, mental, emotional, educational, and social interactive capacities. Therapy Dogs have the ability to teach humans empathy, respect, and confidence.

Self-Awareness: The ability to recognize and understand one's own emotions, thoughts, and values, and how they influence behavior. Recognize one's strengths and limitations; and developed self-confidence, optimism, and exercise a growth mindset.



Self-Management

Self-Management: The awareness and ability to regulate one's emotions, thoughts, and behaviors in various situations and, effectively manage stress, control impulses, and motivate oneself. The ability to set and work towards personal and academic goals.



Social Awareness

Social-Awareness: The ability to understand other's points of view, show empathy, and respect diversity. The ability to understand social and ethical norms for behavior and to recognize family, school, and community resources and support.



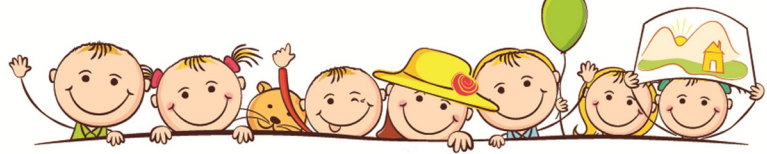
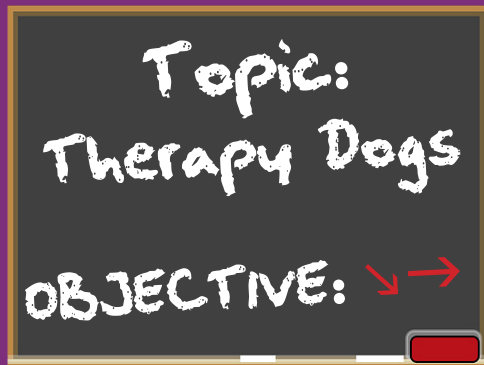
Relationship Skills

Relationship Skills: To establish and maintain healthy and rewarding relationships with diverse individuals and groups. The ability to communicate clearly, listen well, and cooperative with others. Seek and offer help when needed.



Responsible Decision-making

Responsible Decision Making: The ability to make constructive choices about personal behavior and social norms. The evaluation of consequences of various actions, and a consideration of the well-being of one-self and others.



Self-Awareness

By the end of this lesson, students will be able to:

Explain the qualities of therapy dogs and the roles they play.

Through the eyes of a therapy dog...

Students will gain a sense of self-awareness by:

identifying, comparing/contrasting, and evaluating the behaviors, strengths/challenges, and unique attributes between humans and dogs.



Self-Management

Students will gain a sense of self-management by:

- observing impulse control and stress management exercises.
- discovering their individual extrinsic/intrinsic motivation.
- summarizing ways to set goals for success.



Social Awareness

Students can learn social awareness by:

- recognizing examples of how therapy dogs show empathy towards humans.
- distinguishing human body language and facial expression that dogs are able to interpret.
- understanding that therapy dogs are non-judgement and they welcome all diversity.



Relationship Skills

From the Handler's view,...

Students can relate:

- that diverse socialization, culture, and exposure to different environments are key to become a well-rounded human (or dog).
- to the importance of establishing and maintaining a healthy and rewarding relationship (as a pack leader).
- that effective communication results with an appropriate response.
- that listening well is exercised by whole body listening.



Responsible Decision-making

Students will conclude:

- dogs can make decisions, but are they appropriate? Students can determine the cause and effect of the decision.



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Children's Author, Eileen Pieczonka
and one of her therapy dogs
are coming to our school on Thursday, April 25, 2024

During her visit, Eileen will introduce her therapy dog to the students, read her book(s), talk about therapy dogs, presentation, open Q&A discussion, and book signing.

Eileen is an award-winning children's book author. She was a reading therapy team with her late therapy dog, Jamie, visiting libraries helping children enhance their reading skills. Seeing Jamie encourage children to read, fueled her passion for children's literacy and inspired her writing.

To continue Jamie's legacy, Eileen adopted two siblings, Suki and Kong who follow in Jamie's pawprints as therapy dogs. Suki and Kong are Animal-Assisted Therapy Dog Ambassadors for *Pawsitive Friendships*, *Gilbert Family Hospice Care*, and the *Chandler Police Department's Paws for Police*.

Eileen also volunteers for Tommy Two Shoes Literacy Project for Children. and donates book raffle baskets for children's and rescue organizations.

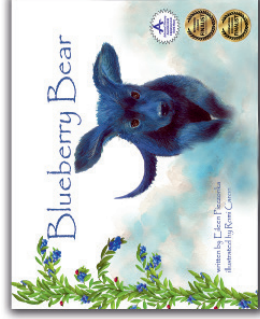
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Facebook Review:

Jaime Edmondson Longoria reviewed Blueberry Bear Tales My kids and I adored meeting Blueberry Bear herself when she came to visit at the pre-school! She did a special reading of the book with her mom, Eileen. The teacher said the children talked about the experience for days afterwards. Thank you Eileen for sharing your passion for reading with us.



Read • Grow • Reflect



\$16.00 (group discount)

Blueberry Bear is a fun down-on-the-farm story about a puppy named Bear, how she turns blue, and is nick-named Blueberry Bear.

With refrains and Onomotopoeia, *Blueberry Bear* is also an adorable read

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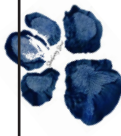
Blueberry Bear A Fury Friends Tale is the first of the Blueberry Bear's adventure trilogy. Blueberry Bear flees the farm in search for a friend. A message about friendship, trust, courage, and acceptance.

A Fury Friends Tale is also a fun read aloud for younger children.

Both books include refrains and onomotopoeia.

SPECIAL BOOK SET DISCOUNT: \$30.00, Two of the same books will also be counted as a book set.

BOOK TITLE	QTY	AUTOGRAPH TO	PRICE PER BOOK OR SET	TOTAL
Payment: CASH, Zelle (480.440.7229 or epzonka@cox.net or PayPal (friends/family) payable to Eileen Pieczonka eileen.blueberrybear@gmail.com				TOTAL



Thank you for supporting a local Indie Author!

Therapy Dog Visit Permission Slip



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hello! On _____, _____, I will be at your child's school for an author visit with my therapy dog reading my book along with a presentation.

My goal is for the students to have a safe, fun and entertaining experience, while learning about therapy dogs.

Most people interchange therapy dogs with service dogs. They are not the same.

A Service Dog is specifically trained to perform specific jobs for their disabled human, allowing the owner to obtain their independence.

Therapy Dogs are household pets who are very approachable and they welcome humans to pet them. Therapy Dogs have a calm, gentle disposition and are trained to provide comfort, affection, and support to the people they visit. Animal Therapy Teams volunteer to visit where they are needed such as: hospitals, retirement homes, nursing homes, hospices, rehabilitation facilities, schools, libraries, airports, and even disaster areas.

Please fill out this form below and return it by _____.

My child _____ is allowed to attend.

My child _____ is allergic to dogs, and needs to sit in the back.

My child _____ is afraid of dogs, and needs to sit in the back.

My child _____ is **not** allowed to attend.

My child _____ is severely allergic to dogs, and is **not** allowed to attend.

My child _____ is extremely afraid of dogs, and is **not** allowed to attend.

Print your name: _____ Date: _____

Signature _____

Warmly,

Eileen Pieczonka, author and handler for Suki and Kong



MEET SUKI



Rescue Names:
Peppermint Patti
& Charlie Brown

Born:
December 31, 2017

Breed:
German Shepard /Lab mix

Adopted:
Blueberry Bear II, Rebel Rose, Suki Bear, Snooki

Nick-names:



Kibble Bits



Hi, I'm Suki!

My Human Mom re-named me Suki, which means "Beloved" in Japanese. She says I'm a free spirit, and tells me I'm special because I look and act like *Blueberry Bear*. She even nick-named me Blueberry Bear II. Carrying on Jamie's legacy as *Blueberry Bear* is a big responsibility.

Good Traits:

Social butterfly, smart, shares, gentle, playful, rambunctious

Bad Traits:

Stubborn, sneaky, escape artist, bunny/ cat chaser, wall jumping

Good At:

Catching fly balls, scent games, manipulating her brother Kong

Likes:

Being a therapy dog, running free, walks, hikes, car rides, fetch, swimming

Dislikes:

When her brother Kong tries to dominate her

Favorite Foods:

Homemade jerky treats, blueberries, peas, carrots, green beans, broccoli, sweet potatoes, mom's left overs and desserts.

MEET KONG

Certificates:

Obedience: July, 2018

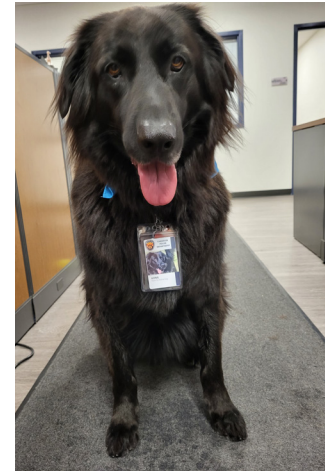
Canine Good Citizen: December, 2018

Canine Good Citizen Adv: August, 2019

Therapy Certification: October, 2019

Volunteer Ambassadors for:

Chandler PD Paws for Police,
Pawsitive Friendships,
East Valley Hospice



Nick-names: Kong Bear,
Tiny, Huggy Bear Kong

Hi, I'm Kong!

My Human Mom fell in love with me too because I was one big lovable puppy (and I still am at 105 pounds!) She calls me her "Huggy Bear" because I'm so HUGABLE. Don't you just want to hug me? I know you do!

Good Traits:

Very friendly, smart, wants to please, playful, layed back

Bad Traits:

Jealous, steals things to get attention, follows in his sister Suki's paw-prints

Good At:

Scent games, giving kisses, dominating his sister Suki

Likes:

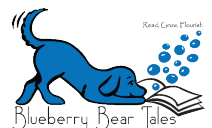
Being a therapy dog, running free, walks, hikes, car rides, fetch, swimming, being spoiled, hip rubs

Dislikes:

When his sister gets all the attention

Favorite Foods:

EVERYTHING!



Therapy Dog Classroom Rules

It's my goal for everyone to have a pleasant and fun experience. Even though therapy dogs are very friendly and loving, they should also be respected by:



Listen to the Handler's directions.

**Inside voices only.
No loud noises.**



No sudden or fast moves.

Just like you and I, the therapy dog needs personal space too. Do Not Crowd.



**Walk,
Do Not Run
towards the dog.**



**Before petting,
hold out palm
of hand.**



**Pet gently in the marked areas.
Keep your face away from the dog's face.**



Century Surety Company
550 Polaris Parkway, Suite 300
Westerville, OH 43082

INSURANCE CERTIFICATE-PET CARE AFFILIATES, LLC

THERAPY ANIMAL HANDLER

Certificate Number: CCP 997946-03169-03

New:

This certificate is issued under and forms a part of Master Policy CCP 997946-00000 issued to:

Pet Care Affiliates, LLC
PO Box 2536
Chapel Hill, NC 27515

Certificate Holder's Name and Mailing Address:

Eileen Pieczonka
782 E Mariposa Pl 7229
Chandler, AZ 85225

☒ Sole Proprietor ☐ Partnership ☐ Corporation ☐ Limited Liability Corp. (LLC)

Certificate Period From: 9/1/2023 To: 9/1/2024
12:01 A.M. Standard Time at your mailing address shown above

Certificate Limits of Liability:	\$1,000,000	Each Occurrence
	\$2,000,000	General Aggregate Limit
	\$2,000,000	Product/Completed Operations Limit
	\$1,000,000	Personal & Advertising Injury Limit
	\$ 300,000	Fire Damage Limit
	\$ 10,000	Medical Payments

Deductible: \$100.00 Bodily Injury/Property Damage Deductible Per Claim

Veterinary Expense Limit: \$10,000 Each Occurrence/Aggregate Limit

Animal Name: Suki Animal Name: Kong
Breed/Species: German Shepherd Mix Breed/Species: German Shepherd Mix

Coverage is only provided if designated by "X".
Additional Coverages/Operations:

____ Additional Insured

Premium: \$ 225.00
Policy Fee/Tax: \$ 50.00

25% of the Premium is fully earned as of the effective date of this certificate and is not subject to return or refund.

Countersigned:

By 

Administered by: Village Insurance Agency Inc. DBA
Business Insurers of the Carolinas
P.O. Box 2536
Chapel Hill, NC 27515
1-800-962-4611

IT IS HEREBY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED THAT THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER AGREES TO ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS SET FORTH IN THE ATTACHED MASTER POLICY.



Century Surety Company

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Westerville, Ohio 43082
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COMMERCIAL LINES POLICY COMMON POLICY DECLARATIONS

POLICY NO: CCP 997946
NAMED INSURED AND ADDRESS:
Pet Care Affiliates, LLC & PTS 1208 0316
PO Box 2536

Chapel Hill NC 27515

Renewal of CCP 851379
CODE NO.: 5884A
INSURED'S AGENT:
Village Insurance Agency, Inc
DBA: Business Insurers of the Carolinas
PO Box 2536

POLICY PERIOD: From: 09-01-2021 To: until cancelled at 12:01 A.M. Standard time at your mailing address shown above.
Business Description: Pet Service Providers

☐ Individual ☐ Joint Venture ☐ Partnership ☒ Limited Liability Company (LLC) ☐ Organization (Other than Partnership, LLC or Joint Venture)

IN RETURN FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUM, AND SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS OF THIS POLICY, WE AGREE
WITH YOU TO PROVIDE THE INSURANCE AS STATED IN THIS POLICY.
THIS POLICY CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING COVERAGE PARTS FOR WHICH A PREMIUM IS INDICATED. THIS
PREMIUM MAY BE SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT.

PREMIUM

TBD

Commercial General Liability Coverage Part
The insurance company with which this coverage has been placed is not licensed by the State of North Carolina and
is not subject to its supervision. In the event of the insolvency of the insurance company, losses under this policy will
not be paid by any State insurance guaranty or solvency fund.

25 % of the Policy Premium is fully earned as of the effective
date of this policy and is not subject to return or refund.
Service of Suit (if Form CCP 20 10 is attached) may be made upon:

TOTAL

Village Insurance Agency DBA Business Insurers of the Carolinas
501 Eastowne Drive Suite 250 Chapel Hill NC 27514

Form(s) and Endorsement(s) made a part of this policy at time of issue*:

See Attached Schedule of Forms, CIL 15 00b 02 02

*Omits applicable forms and endorsements if shown in specific Coverage Part/Coverage Form Declarations.
Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing false or
deceptive statements is guilty of insurance fraud.

COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE:
Village Insurance Agency DBA Business Insurers of the
Carolinas
501 Eastowne Drive
Suite 250
Chapel Hill NC 27514

Countersigned By

P. David Pearsall
Authorized Representative

08/23/2021

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Company has executed and attested these presents; but this policy shall not be valid unless countersigned by the duly Authorized
Agent of this Company at the Agency hereinbefore mentioned.

Philip David Pearsall
NPN6566794 NCLic#6566794
Village Insurance Agency, Inc.
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President