



Pete's **PET POSSE**

Ready to join Pete's Pet Posse? Woof!

Please have your human help you fill out this application form so we can get to know you better. Completed applications should be submitted to pettherapy@okstate.edu no later than **5 p.m. on Tuesday, September 30**. Applications may also be dropped off in person at the Ann Hargis OSU Center for Pet Therapy (224 Student Union) Monday–Friday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Eligibility: OSU faculty and staff, OSU retirees, OSU alumni, and former Pete's Pet Posse handlers are all eligible to apply. While we welcome applications from all eligible groups, **priority will be given to current OSU faculty and staff.**

Please note: While we think all dogs are awesome, there are a very limited number of spots available. A completed application does **not** guarantee acceptance into the program.

Your humans' name(s): _____

What do your humans call you? (List ALL the names)

What is your breed? _____

How old are you? Bonus points if you also provide your age in human years! _____

How long have you lived with your human(s): _____

What is your size?

- ☐ Small (up to 20 pounds)
- ☐ Medium (21-50 pounds)
- ☐ Large (51-100 pounds)
- ☐ Extra Large (100+ pounds)



Tell us about your personality! What are your favorite activities, tricks, or talents? Do you have a favorite toy? (attach additional page if needed)

Do you have any obedience training or any certifications (Canine Good Citizen, Obedience Classes, etc)

Tell us your story! Did you rescue your human? Why do you (and your parents) want to join Pete's Pet Posse?

Are you up to date on vaccinations and in good health?

Who is your veterinarian (name, address, telephone number, etc.)



Have Your Humans Complete This Section

Full Name _____

Home Address _____

Work Address (if applicable) _____

Email _____

Work Phone (if applicable) _____

Cell Phone _____

Affiliation with OSU:

- ☐ Faculty
- ☐ Staff
- ☐ Spouse of employee
- ☐ OSU retiree
- ☐ OSU alumnus
- ☐ Former P3 handler
- ☐ Other _____

Job Title (if applicable) _____

Department (if applicable): _____

Former OSU Department (if applicable): _____

College (if applicable) _____

Former OSU College (if applicable): _____

Have you ever been placed under corrective action at OSU? ____ Yes ____ No

If yes, when _____

If not employed at OSU, may we contact your employer to verify that you are in good standing? ____ Yes ____ No



Name of employer/supervisor and contact info:

Are you applying as a single handler, or does your spouse/significant other wish to apply and participate as well? _____

Please note: A separate application must be completed by each applicant. Each human applying must submit an application and participate in the process (interview, physical exam for the dog, disposition evaluation for the dog).



I understand that I am responsible for all fees associated with becoming part of Pete's Pet Posse, as well as all fees related to the health and wellness of my animal. I also understand that certain fees related to training and certification may be paid by me, by my department, or by a donor to Pete's Pet Posse.

☐ Yes ☐ No

PETE'S PET POSSE PROGRAM FEES AND BENEFITS⁺

Item	Cost to Owner*	Pete's Pet Posse Industry Partners*
OSUVMH Fee During Application Period: Physical Exam at OSUVMH ** One-time Fees After Program Acceptance: Pre-training fecal test at OSUVMH (January) Group Therapy Dog Training ** (January) AKC Canine Good Citizen Test (April) Alliance of Therapy Dogs Background Check (April) Alliance of Therapy Dogs Initial Membership Fee (May)	\$70 \$0 \$350 \$20 \$20 \$55	\$33.10 Henthorne Professorship (Dr. Sypniewski)
Annual Fees/Benefits: Alliance of Therapy Dogs Membership Renewal Discounted Services through P3 Industry Partner Clinics Appointment with OSU VMH for Hill's Dog Food if full wellness package is not needed FREE NexGard Plus provided by Boehringer-Ingelheim; will be distributed to your veterinarian if benefit is selected HomeAgain Microchip (Appointment must be made with OSU VMH) Hill's Dog Food (Dog must have been seen at OSUVMH within the last year of placing the order) Royal Canin Dog Food	\$35 Various discounts on services \$70 \$0 One free bag of food per quarter 50% of MSRP monthly discount	\$438-\$502 for the yearly supply; based on the weight of the dog. \$35 Merck Animal Health & Henthorne Professorship for registry costs (Dr. Sypniewski)

⁺ Benefits are subject to change.

^{*} All costs are estimated and are subject to change.

^{**} These costs can be paid by the owner, OSU Foundation donor via the Pete's Pet Posse Pet Therapy Fund, or by the Department. All other costs are the responsibility of the owner.



Are you and your dog willing to participate in a variety of marketing activities? Opportunities may include, but are not limited to: OSU promotions, printed media, social media, and other media outlets as requested.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you and your dog willing to participate in a variety of OSU sponsored outreach activities?

☐ Yes ☐ No

There is no fee to apply to Pete's Pet Posse. However, the OSU Veterinary Medical Hospital (OSUVMH) requires a fee of \$70 for the physical examination of the dog. This fee is to be paid directly to the OSUVMH at the time of the exam. I understand that this fee is required and payment is due when services are rendered regardless of whether my dog and I are accepted into the program.

☐ Yes ☐ No

I understand all teams accepted into Pete's Pet Posse are **required** to complete a background check.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Owner Name (**please print**): _____

Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____

Department Head Name and Title (**if applicable**):

Department Head Approval Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: If owner is the Department Head, please have your Supervisor approve below:

Supervisor Name and Title (**please print**): _____

Supervisor Approval Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: All OSU employee applicants must have Facility Manager approval.

Owner's Facility Manager Name (**please print**): _____

Owner's Facility Manager Approval Signature: _____ Date: _____



Thank you for applying to Pete's Pet Posse!

Upon receipt of your application, the OSU Pete's Pet Posse Program Coordinator will contact you with additional information. Your application will be reviewed and if accepted, you will be contacted for an interview. Additional application steps include a physical examination and disposition evaluation of your pet. Full acceptance into the program is based on all of the above, as well as recommendations by the evaluating veterinarian and the Pete's Pet Posse trainer. The Ann Hargis OSU Center for Pet Therapy Governing Board will select new therapy teams in December 2025 and training begins in January 2026. A very limited number of spots are available.

Contact Information

224 Student Union, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater.
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