

Kid's Club Program - 2011/2012 year

Objective: To foster the humane-animal bond; teach children proper pet handling and care; provide enrichment for adoptable shelter pets.

For: Children ages 6-12

Requirements:

- All members must be accompanied by a parent or guardian over the age of 18
- For safety reasons, **any and all** adults who will be bringing children to the meetings *must* attend a basic orientation class.
- An orientation will be provided at the first fall meeting and by arrangement thereafter for new participants.
- Children and chaperones must be willing and able to participate in pet clean-up activities.

Fee: none

Time: 12:30 – 2:00 pm, Saturdays – see 2011 calendar below:
September 10th
October 8th
November 12th
December 10th

Format: Thirty (30) minutes of humane education activities, followed by 1 hour of supervised “hands-on” interaction with shelter pets available for adoption.

Restrictions:

- Shelter pets chosen for Kid's Club participants will be designated by shelter personnel.
- For safety reasons, children and their parents may **only** volunteer on Kid's Club dates, since club meetings are under the supervision of shelter personnel and designated volunteer mentors.
- For safety reasons, each club meeting will be limited to 10 children plus adult chaperones, with new members added as space becomes available.
- Children who miss more than two meetings in a row will automatically be assumed out of the club and those on the waiting list notified of a vacancy.
- For this reason, if, at the time of registration, you know of a conflict, please notify the Humane Educator. That date(s) will then be considered an excused absence and your child's spot will remain secure.
- If your child becomes ill or there is a family emergency the week/day of the club meeting, please call the shelter at (540)434-5270 and leave a message for the Humane Educator.