



VACATION WITH AN EDUCATION OWNER WAIVER & PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The Better Companion – Training-Infused Boarding Program

Owner Information

Owner Name: _____

Dog's Name: _____

Dates of Stay: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

PROGRAM PURPOSE & SCOPE

I understand that Vacation With an Education is a training-infused boarding program designed to maintain, reinforce, and lightly expand my dog's current training skills in a structured, positive-reinforcement environment.

This program is NOT:

- A Board & Train
- A Behavior Modification Program
- A Replacement for private lessons or full training plans
- Intended to "fix" problem behaviors (reactivity, aggression, fear, resource guarding, etc.)

_____ I understand that this program provides daily training, enrichment, and structured care, but it is not designed to create major behavior changes.

_____ I acknowledge that owners play a critical ongoing role in maintaining and continuing all trained behaviors at home.

OWNER RESPONSIBILITIES

By signing, I agree to:

1. Continue Training After the Stay

- I understand that for training to translate into my home environment, I must maintain, reinforce, and continue practicing the behaviors.
- I understand that my dog's skills may not generalize to my home without continued practice.

2. Attend the Post-Stay Transfer Session

- I agree to attend the transfer session provided, where I will learn how to maintain my dog's training.
- I acknowledge that failure to follow through may result in regression of behaviors.

3. Accurately Disclose Behavior History

I confirm that I have disclosed all behavioral concerns, including:

- Reactivity
- Human-directed aggression
- Dog-directed aggression
- Bite history
- Resource guarding
- Severe fear or anxiety
- Escape attempts or confinement stress

Failure to disclose behavior may result in immediate termination from the program.

4. Provide Current Vaccinations and Health Information

I confirm that all vaccinations and medical conditions have been accurately provided.

PROGRAM LIMITATIONS

I acknowledge and agree:

- Training outcomes depend on the dog's learning abilities, health, stress levels, and prior history.
- Significant behavior issues cannot be resolved in this program.
- Training may not progress at the same rate as private lessons or board & train.
- Dogs may experience stress in new environments.

- The trainer may adjust the training plan at any time based on my dog's wellbeing.

SAFETY & LIABILITY RELEASE

I understand and agree:

- The trainer will take all reasonable precautions to ensure my dog's safety.
- Dogs will be housed separately from the trainer's personal pets unless otherwise specifically approved by me and the trainer.
- The trainer may limit activities or modify training for safety reasons.
- In the event of illness or injury, veterinary care will be pursued at my expense.

_____ I release The Better Companion and the hosting trainer from liability for unforeseen incidents, illnesses, or injuries, provided reasonable care has been taken.

MEDIA RELEASE (OPTIONAL)

I give permission for photos/videos of my dog to be used for:

- Training updates only
- Training updates & social media
- Do not use my dog's image

SIGNATURE

I have read and understand this waiver and agree to the terms.

Owner Signature: _____

Date: _____

