**Rogue K9 Academy’s primary purpose is to educate dog owners so that they no longer have to rely on, or be subject to an unstandardized industry, helping you and your dog overcome barriers preventing you from enjoying each other freely.**

**Rogue K9 Academy’s primary purpose is to provide dog owners with leading-edge, science- based training designed to provide the best life possible for both owners and dogs.**

**This will be an educational journey, with you as student and me as teacher. The Rogue K9 curriculum will teach you to be a competent dog handler.**

**Question: what’s the diff between ‘instructions’ and ‘instructionals’???**

**This will be  an educational journey. You will be the student, and I will be your teacher.  Following the curriculum will mke you a skilled dog handler. The curriculum will make you a competent dog handler. You will receive a journal with homework, including detailed instructions, instructionals, and video(?) lectures, . In addition, you will receive personalized instruction for you and your dog. Including instructions for training and behavior protocols to practice at in the home.**

**For Rogue K9’s behavior-modification program to be effective, it’s necessary to work from the ground up. While obedience training is a vital part of the program, to be successful and lasting it must be based on a good understanding of what makes your dog tick and how to communicate with and be a good leader for your dog.**

**Above and beyond our regularly scheduled in-person and virtual sessions, I will be available to provide additional help, if needs. I will treat you as if you were my only client and am committed to helping you reach your goals.**

**In order for behavioral modification to be effective we need to work from the ground up. Obedience is only a portion of the program. I will provide resources, on-call help, and problem solving outside of the in person or virtual training. I treat each client as though they were my only client and am all in, working with you toward your goals.**

**Although it’s normal to feel frustrated, worried, afraid, even jaded, in order to succeed at training your dog you have to be willing to learn new ideas, change old attitudes and develop a realistic, empathetic, respectful understanding of your dog. If you are reading this, I believe that you are committed to creating the best possible life for both you and your dog.**

**It is totally normal to feel frustrated, worried, afraid, and even jaded. To move forward and be a successful dog trainer you need willingness to learn and compassion for your dog. If you are reading this, it is already clear that you have both.**

**Owner Participation: The Rogue K9 Program requires your commitment and willingness to learn. Your dog can succeed only if you become a proficient handler. We can’t teach our dogs to improve their behaviors and do new things if we are not committed to learning all that it takes to be their teacher. Though you and your dogs will be learning and progressing together, ultimately your dog’s behavior is your responsibility. I am dedicated to teaching you and help you succeed, but success requires that you adhere to the Rogue K9 curriculum. Failing to do so will result in poor outcomes and, possibly, to discontinuation of training.**

**Owner participation: Owner participation is the heart of the success of this program. Dog’s Dogs can only be as proficient as their handlers. We can’t teach our dogs things we don’t understand. Though you and your dogs will be learning and progressing together, you ultimately are responsible for your dog’s behavior. This process will essentially teach you how to do so and failure to adhere to the curriculum will result in compromised results, and possible discontinuation of the training**.

**The bottom line is that dogs cannot be expected to obey you if you don’t have the right relationship with your dog. Relationships with dogs are a two-way street, just as they are with other people.**

**The dog will not be expected to obey a handler who does not have a properly established relationship with the dog. Relationships are a two way street and your dogs will happily reflect your efforts**.

**Aggression Rehab and Management Training: Rogue K9’s special emphasis is understanding, controlling, and managing aggressive behavior. Although aggression is natural for all dogs, some dogs are naturally more aggressive than others. The Rogue program uses state-of-the-art, science-based, field proven methods. It will teach you how to teach your dog to be the best that he can be and continue to be that way post-graduation. That said, it’s not possible to completely extinguish aggression in dogs that are – genetically and/or due to life-experience -- strongly predisposed to be aggressive. In other words, Rogue K9 will show you to understand, manage, and control your dog’s aggressiveness, so much so that it might seem to have disappeared. But responsible owners will always have to take account of their dog’s natural inclination.**

**Please take this opportunity to consider the above and decide whether Rogue K9 feels right for you and your dog(s).**

**Please feel free to list any expectations you have of Rogue K9 in the space below:**

**Aggression Rehab and Management Training:** **This program will have a special emphasis on understanding, controlling, and managing aggressive behavior. The service provided in no way will guarantee the cessation of all aggression, as aggression is a natural behavior of all dogs. The program is to help you do everything in your power to help guide the dog to be the best that he can be using scientific and field proven techniques to continually improve and control the dog’s behavior beyond the dog’s involvement in the training program.**

**Please take this opportunity to consider the above and whether this is a modality that feels right for you and your dog(s). Also please consider your expectations of me, as your trainer and feel free to list them here.**