

# STRUCTURED DAYCARE EVALUATION

Evaluations are to help identify if Structured Daycare will be the healthiest and safest fit for your dog. Below are common behaviors we see during our evaluations. Sometimes, we can work through these behaviors and sometimes Daycare is not the right program for your dog. Do not be discouraged if it is not the proper fit at this time. We have alternative options that are JUST AS FUN! Please do not get caught up in the "idea" of Daycare. Often people feel their dogs ability to socialize in groups determine if they have a good or bad dog. Daycare is NOT the determining factor of how pawesome your dog is, or how social your dog is because EVERY DOG IS PAWSOME! Some dogs are just not group players, particularly in an enclosed environment or out of their regular elements with unfamiliar dogs, and that is OK. Do not force daycare on your dog because it's "your" idea of fun. Lets focus first on "your dogs" idea of fun. Surprise! More often then not dogs are turned away for daycare.



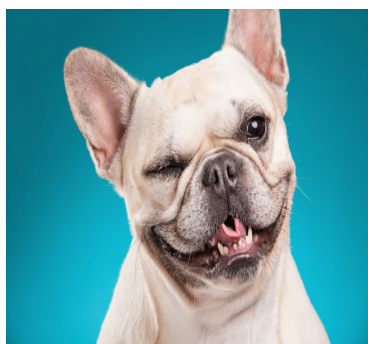
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SHAKING BOOTS - Many clients are suprised their dogs are a little fearful at the start. Playing with groups of unfamiliular dogs, with unfamililar people and in an unfamiliular environment is asking a lot of any dog. Consider your child starting a new school. It takes time to properly adjust and warm up. Your provider will give you instruction on how to help your dog warm up. Many dogs you see in this program are regulars and have had time to adjust on a weekly basis. Be fair and put yourself in your dogs paws. Many dogs play with 1-2 dogs at home or in the park. More often then not dogs do not like enclosed group play with unknown dogs. Please don't forget while they are family, they are animals first. What you may think is fun, they may not think is fun.



PAWTY ANIMAL - Everyone loves a friend that is the "life of the pawty" although only for so long. Some dogs get into a group of dogs and are so overly excited they have no boundaries or control. This can be due to anxiety, stress and just the pure joy of loving to be the life of the pawty. Boundaries, being able to read others dogs body language and listening to the provider are all important safety requirements in groups of unfamililar dogs. "Sometimes" this behavior will adjust over time once the new begins to wear off. Please listen to your providers recommendations.



CASANOVA - This is a dog that tends to focus on one dog and/or thinks of the "resort" as a Honeymoon at the Sandals. To put it clearly, this is the avid mounter or stalker. This is typically due to over excitment, anxiety, being around unfamiliar dogs and in an unfamiliar environment. Again, this may disapate over time and/or it may not. Your provider will keep you updated on your dogs progress and offer other options for fun in the event Daycare is not where your dog is safest and the most happy!