

There is a Therapy Dog at QE!!!



Meet
Ozzie!!!



BREED: Bernadoodle (part Bernese Mountain, part Standard Poodle)

AGE: 2 years old

OWNER: Mrs. Bruchak

LIKES: walks, cuddle time, making new friends, and playing with his toys!

DISLIKES: swimming in a pool (but loves to play in mud puddles)

FAVORITE TREATS: broccoli and bones



What Is a Therapy Dog?

A therapy dog is a dog that is trained to provide comfort & love.

Ozzie & Mrs. Bruchak went to school, just like you, to learn to be a Certified Therapy Dog Team! This is different from a service dog or emotional support animal.



WHERE WILL OZZIE BE?

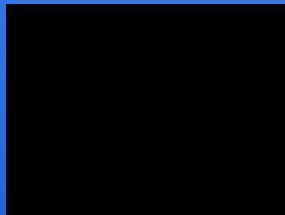


- You may see Ozzie during morning arrival, in your classroom, the main office, or walking the halls with Mrs. Bruchak.
- He will spend time in Mrs. Bruchak's office.
- He will take walks and potty breaks outside.
- He will also need some "quiet time" so he can relax, have a snack, or nap.
- He won't be at QE every day because he needs to rest too (this is a job for him)!

PRIDE with Ozzie

Show **RESPECT** & be
IN CONTROL

Let's learn how to
approach, ask, pet and
say goodbye



Approach

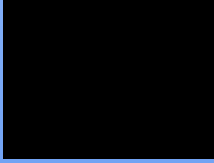
- **Walk up slowly and calmly with body/voice under control.**
- **Do not make sudden movements.**
- **No more than two students at a time should approach the dog; patiently wait your turn.**
- **If you see the dog in the hallway do not leave a class line to pet him, but you can wave.**
- **Do not disturb the dog when he is eating, drinking, or sleeping.**

Ask

- Ask if you can pet the dog and wait for an answer.
- The handler needs to be aware of the dog's behavior and your actions.
- Nobody will be forced to pet the dog.

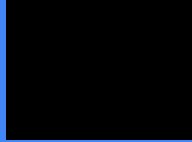


Pet



- **Slowly extend your arm out with a closed hand below his head so he can smell your hand. Dogs explore with their noses.**
- **Be gentle & use a soft voice. Do not pull his ears or tail.**
- **Do not put fingers or objects in his mouth.**
- **Respect the dog's personal space. Do not put your face in his face or kiss him.**

Goodbye



- When there are others waiting to pet the dog, a good rule is to “slowly count to 3” while you pet him. Then it will be the next person's turn.
- Walk away slowly and calmly.
- Listen for the handler's directions.
- You are encouraged to wash your hands after petting the dog.

Ozzie can't wait to meet all of you and show
you his QE PRIDE!!!!

