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The deadline for your pre-teen to sign up for the Burleson Animal Shelter's free Paw Pals Animal Care Academy has been extended to Friday, May 16.

Burleson Animal Services is proud to offer Paw Pals, a free educational program for students who are entering the sixth grade in the 2014-2015 school year. The class is limited to 15 students who must either live in Burleson or attend school in Burleson. The goal is to teach the students the proper care and handling of family pets and to show them how animals are cared for at the Burleson Animal Shelter.

Paw Pals takes place on four Saturdays - June 7, 14, 21 and 28 – at the Burleson Animal Shelter. Class is 90 minutes, noon to 1:30 p.m. The sessions include bite prevention/responsible pet ownership/veterinary care, animal grooming, and animal training.

The application is available at the shelter, 775 SE John Jones Dr., and online at www.burlesontx.com/pawpalsapp. Students must write a one-page essay explaining why they want to be selected for the Paw Pals Academy.

For more information about Paw Pals, call 817-426-9283.