



Adopting a cat from Papa's Cat Café



**Are you interested helping one of our friendly felines find his or her forever home?
Please read this handout for important notes about our cats and the adoption process.**

Who provides the cats? What care has been provided to the cats?

Our cats are provided by Boone County Animal Care (BCAC), which is a volunteer-based group and the only group in Boone County that exclusively adopts cats. Their cats receive several medical services to make them adoption ready for you, including the following:

- They have been fostered for at least 2 weeks to allow ample observation time for illness, temperament, and to socialize the cat.
- They have tested negative for FIV and feline leukemia.
- They are provided de-wormer (and antibiotics if needed for illness).
- They are given the required feline distemper and rabies vaccines.
- They are microchipped for safety.
- And, because BCAC is a no-kill group, all cats are spayed/neutered before arriving.

What is the adoption process?

We recommend going to BCAC's website (BooneCountyAnimalCare.com) and filling out the digital survey. It will expedite the process for you. We do have paper surveys available at the café, though. Your application must be received by Wednesday in order to allow a minimum of 48 hours to review your application for adoptions, which take place on Sunday. Applications received after Wednesday will be eligible to adopt the following week. Approved adoptions will take place on Sunday at PetSmart; times will be arranged between you and the BCAC volunteer.

Once you have completed your adoption survey, a BCAC volunteer will contact you via email. Adoptions always go to the "best fit home," not the order submitted. BCAC has final determination on all adoption approvals, and if they feel the cat you would like is not the best fit, they will work to help you find the feline who best matches your needs. Remember, it's about helping connect people and cats – we want you to find a fantastic feline, and we want the cats to live long and happy lives, too.

Lastly, please be patient and kind to our BCAC superheroes. They work really hard and try their best to respond to applications within 48 hours, but that is not always possible.

What do I bring with me on adoption day? What should I have prepared?

- Most important is a cat carrier! You may not leave the adoption site without one.
- Bring cash or a credit card to pay the adoption fee (\$80 for 1 cat or \$120 for 2 cats).
- Prepare your home for a cat by acquiring cat essentials: cat food and food/water dishes, litter box and litter, flea treatment, cat brush, nail trimmers, toys.
- Call a veterinarian to establish care for your cat.