

Marietta Martial Arts



**Black Belt Test
May 16, 2015**

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Dear Students, Parents, Family and Friends,

Thank you for joining us today at this very special occasion. Today, someone that you know is taking a step on a journey that few individuals have the discipline and perseverance to achieve. Today, you will see that perseverance and discipline in action. These Black Belt candidates have already demonstrated an unusual amount of determination through their endurance test last week. I'll be the first to tell you, it was tough, both physically and mentally. They did it - they did not give up and they did not quit. For that, I am proud of each and every one of them.

Though not as physically challenging, today will still be a test of their strength and perseverance. Today they will spar and they will perform their kicks, blocks, forms and self-defense techniques. They may grow weary and tired, but they all have developed the Black Belt spirit of never giving up. What a great skill to have honed and what a great hallmark for future goals and challenges they will encounter.

Thank you again for joining us and we hope you are as inspired by these individuals. Marietta Martial Arts is proud to present these individuals as candidates for Deputy Black Belt, 1st Dan, 2nd Dan and 3rd Dan.

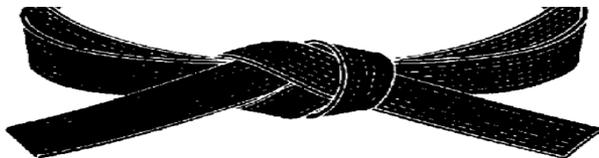
Sincerely,

Master Wendell



A Black Belt is Simply a White Belt That Never Quit

Did you know that typically, only three out of every one hundred people that begin their martial arts training stick with it and achieve the rank of black belt?



**That is why Marietta Martial Arts
is proud to congratulate:**

Promoting To 3rd Dan

Mr. Allen Coe

Mr. Tey Koval

Mr. Luka Wilmlink

Promoting to 2nd Dan

Mr. Senahid Catic

Mr. Christian Hurn

Promoting to 1st Dan

Mr. Jackson Banks

Mr. Alex Barton

Ms. Arianna Busby

Ms. Shani Clark

Mr. Taylor Hicks

Promoting to 1st Dan (cont.)

Mr. Onofre Mayuga

Mr. Efren Mayuga

Mr. Jonatas Souza

Ms. Caitlin Wendell

Promoting Bo Dan

Mr. Devon Addington

Ms. Nicole Balzer

Ms. Caleigh Hatcher

Mr. Max Ruth

Mr. George Sardinas

Mr. Jacob Sessions

Ms. Divya Virmani

Mr. Liam Wendell



Mr. Allen Coe - 3rd Dan

Favorite Kick: Bali or 540°

Favorite Martial Arts Movie: *Best of the Best*

Favorite Hollywood Martial Artist: Jackie Chan

My favorite aspect of TKD is helping others learn new techniques and perfecting older ones.



Mr. Teymuraz Koval - 3rd Dan

Favorite Kick: Round House

Favorite Martial Arts Movie: *Flash Point*

Favorite Hollywood Martial Artist: Donnie Yen

My favorite aspect of TKD is watching the new generation of students come up through the ranks and watching them become better than us.



Mr. Luka Wilmink - 3rd Dan

School: Hightower Trail Middle, 7th Grade

Favorite Form: Tae Guek Chil Jang

Favorite Hollywood Martial Artist: Jackie Chan

My favorite memory at Marietta Martial Arts is when I was going to East Lake and doing leadership classes with Mr. White.



Mr. Senahid Catic - 2nd Dan

School: Wheeler High, 9th Grade

Favorite Kick: Side Kick

Favorite Martial Arts Movie: *IP Man*

I started my TKD training when I was forced to come here because of my parents wanting me to be active. Now I love to come here.



Mr. Christian Hurn - 2nd Dan

School: McClesky Middle, 6th Grade

Favorite Kick: Tornado Kick

Favorite Martial Arts Movie: *The Karate Kid*

My plans after reaching the next rank is to go for the rank after that.



Mr. Jackson Banks - 1st Dan

School: Dodgen Middle, 6th grade

Favorite Form: Koryo

Favorite Hollywood Martial Artist: Jackie Chan

My favorite memory of marital arts is getting to do it with my best friend. Getting to do tests and classes with him is so much fun. It is fun because that is one of the only times I get to see him because he goes to a different school than I do.



Mr. Alex Barton - 1st Dan

School: Dickerson Middle, 6th

Favorite Kick: Tornado Kick

Favorite Form: Tae Guek Pal Jang

I started training in TKD when I was a white belt. My mom suddenly signed me up. After my first few classes I got interested in it. That's why I started training in TKD. I have been enjoying it ever since.



Ms. Arianna Busby - 1st Dan

School: Daniell Middle, 6th

Favorite Kick: Jumping Front Snap Kick

Favorite Martial Arts Movie: *Kick'n It*

I started training in TKD to build confidence and get stronger.



Ms. Shani Clark - 1st Dan

School: Sedalia Park Elementary, 5th Grade
Favorite Kick: Round-house Kick
Favorite Form: Tae Guek Chil Jang

My favorite aspect of Taekwondo is the fact of learning all of the techniques that we may be able to use in real life. I also like having the knowledge of what it really is to be a black belt' sure we need to learn all the punches and kick, but character plays a great part in the process.



Mr. Taylor Hicks - 1st Dan

School: Blessed Trinity Catholic High, 11th Grade
Favorite Form: Tae Guek Oh Jang
Favorite Hollywood Martial Artist: Bruce Lee

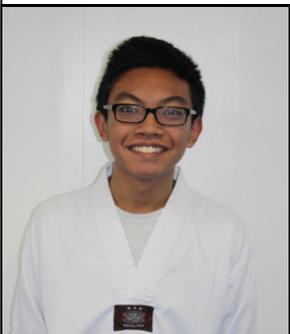
My favorite memory at MMA would have to be the first Black Belt test I was privileged to watch. I thought "Wow. I want to be the one up there some day."



Mr. Onofre Mayuga - 1st Dan

Alma Mater: M.I.T.
Employer: CH2M, Sr. Engineer
Favorite Kick: Back Kick

We may stop the class after the next rank, though we would love to continue but we moved to Alpharetta and have to drive over an hour to get here. We may consider another location that is closer to our house but we will think about it. We wish good luck to MMA.



Mr. Efren Onofre Mayuga, Jr. - 1st Dan

School: Milton High, 9th Grade
Favorite Kick: Tornado Kick
Favorite Hollywood Martial Artist: Jackie Chan

I started training because I wanted to protect myself.



Mr. Jonatas Souza - 1st Dan

School: Eastvalley Elementary, 5th Grade

Favorite Kick: 540 Tornakd Kick

Favorite Form: Koryo

I started TKD because I wanted to learn how to defend myself and learn how to show more respect and use self-discipline. I wanted to become the best black belt I could ever be and become the best TKD teacher I can be.



Ms. Caitlin Wendell - 1st Dan

School: Tritt Elementary, 4th Grade

Favorite Kick: Round-house Kick

Favorite Form: Koryo

My favorite memory at Marietta Martial Arts was when I had my very first belt test as a Little Dragon. I was only 4 years old and my Dad, Master Wendell, held my board and my Papa took a picture of my first board break.

Perseverance

Never giving up, even when it gets tough!

You are so close, keep up your hard work!

Mr. Devon Addington

Ms. Nicole Balzer

Ms. Caleigh Hatcher

Mr. Max Ruth

Mr. George Sardinas

Mr. Jacob Sessions

Ms. Divya Virmani

Mr. Liam Wendell

We will see YOU in November 2015
to test for YOUR 1st Dan!

Congratulations

Go Taylor!

You did it. We are so proud of
your accomplishment.

**Courtney, Mom &
Dad**



***A Black Belt Is
Not Something
You Wear,
It's Something
You Become***

Shout Outs!

Dear Alex the Taco, you are our favorite brother and
Congratulations! Love, Casey and Harper



Devon, Keep being awesome! I'm so proud of you!!
Love, Mom



Arianna, we are so proud of you! Love, Nannie and PaPa
Ps. 145:4



Jonatas - We're sooo proud of you!!! You Rock!!!
Congratulations! From Your Dad and Family



We are very proud of you Alex.
Love, Mom and Dad



Arianna, we are so proud of what you have accomplished.
Love you! Daddy, Mommy and Tristen



Go Max! You can do it - Luke, Jake & Sammy



Jacob, I couldn't be more proud of you!
Love you! Mom



Max we are so proud of you!
- Mom & Dad

Caitlin & Liam
We are SO proud of
both of You!!!



Love,
Daddy, Mommy
& Cassie

Congratulations
Mr. Coe, Mr. Koval



Taylor and Courtney

Caitlin - You Did It!
You earned your 1st Degree
Congratulations!!
You're hard work has paid off!!!

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