

## **Black Belt Testing Requirements and Contract\***

## Communication

- E-mails will be sent frequently It is important candidates read these emails.
- Black belt testing website: http://www.jwkimtkd.com/blackbelttesting.html. Accessible under "Current Students" on the website.

#### Attendance

By September 1, 2023

Meet candidate attendance eligibility requirements

Summer 2023 Minimum Attendance (June – August)

- Minimum of 10 regular classes & 4 sparring classes. Candidates should attend regular & sparring classes weekly when in town.
- Candidates who do not meet the requirements and fail phase 1 will be required to do private lessons until phase one is passed.

Beginning September 5, 2023

- 2 regular classes each week
- 1 sparring class each week
- 1 candidate class each week (Must wear full dobok)
  - o DTC candidates ages 11 and under: Fridays 4:30-5:30
  - o DTC candidates ages 12-16: Fridays 5:40-6:40
  - o DTC candidate ages 20+: Fridays 12:00-12:50
  - Castle Pines All Candidates Fridays 7:00-8:00

Students can miss a maximum of two candidate classes without having to have a plan to make them up. All other missed classes should be made up at the student's earliest convenience. Private lessons may be required until students are caught up on classes and curriculum.

# **Physical Belt Test Curriculum**

- Forms
- Korean (Kicks for all candidates, hand techniques for adult 1<sup>st</sup> degree candidates, additional terminology)
- 1-step sparring
- Endurance
- Sparring

- Board breaking
- Knife defense (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree candidates)
- Self-Defense
- Falling/Rolling

## **Mental Requirements**

- Written test will be approximately two weeks prior to the belt testing. This is required for all candidates and will cover mental requirements from white belt through your current ranks as well as concepts discussed in classes.
- **Report card** reflecting a B average (or equivalent) for students. If you do not have a B average then a plan outlining goals to raise your grades will need to be submitted. *Submit your first semester grades in January*.
- Essay Instructors will assign students prompts that are **not** in the manual. 1st degree candidates who are 8th grade or younger will have three written assignments. #1 will be due by September 5, #2 by December 1, and #3 with your application packet one week prior to testing. 1st degree candidates who are in high school or older and all 2nd and 3rd degree candidates will submit an essay draft by December 1. Final essays will be due with your application packet one week before the belt test. Drafts should be submitted with final essay.

#### Homework

- 2050 push-ups (last 50 at the belt test)
- 3050 sit-ups (last 50 at the belt test)
  - These push ups and sit ups are to be done outside of class between June 1, 2023 and the submission of your application packet. Pushups done in classes DO NOT count for your homework.
- 21 Hours of home practice from June 1 until application packets are submitted.
- Students need to keep a daily log with the number of push-ups, sit-ups, & hours of practice completed. A template will be provided.

#### **Community Service**

- Kick-A-Thon benefiting the Black Belt Foundation (date to be determined)
- 1 outside of TKD (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree)
  - O Students will be required to write a 1 page paper reflecting on their experience

### **Belt Test and Candidate Class Assistance**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> degree candidates will need to assist at 1 belt test. (2-3 candidates per test)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> degree candidates will be asked to assist in the training of 1st and/or 2nd degree candidates.

### **Belt Test**

- The test is tentatively scheduled for the weekend of February 23 25
- Written test will be approximately 2-3 weeks prior to the belt test
- \*Requirements and dates are subject to change. Please check your e-mail regularly for all updates and important information.



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## **Phase Table**

The table below shows what candidates are expected to know at the beginning of each month. These are minimum requirements. Candidates will be subject to random status testing upon the completion of each phase. Candidates who are not minimally proficient in the curriculum may be required to enter a "catch-up" program. This could include a variety of methods and will be handled individually based upon the discretion of the masters and instructors.

Candidate	Phase 1:	Phase 2:	Phase 3:	Phase 4:	Phase 5: Pretest
for	September 2023	October 2023	November 2023	December 2023	January 2023
1 <sup>st</sup> Degree	Forms: Chonji, Dangun, Taegeuk II Jang, Taegeuk Yi Jang, & Taegeuk Pal Jang 1-Step Sparring: Blue (Hand Techniques) Self-Defense: White – Orange (9 Target Area & Rule of Thumb) Falling: Front & Back from knees Korean: First six kicks on page 10 of manual	Forms: Taekgeuk Chil Jang 1-Step Sparring: Red (Kicking Techniques) Self-Defense: Green & Purple (Single hand and double hand wrist grabs) Falling: Right & Left from knees Korean: First 12 kicks on page 10 of manual  Meet attendance requirements	Forms: Taegeuk Oh Jang & Taegeuk Yuk Jang 1-Step Sparring: High Red (Takedowns) Self-Defense: Blue & Red (Collar grabs, Hair Grabs, Shaking Hands) Rolling: Front & Back from knees Korean: First 18 kicks on page 10 of manual	Forms: Taegeuk Sam Jang & Taegeuk Sa Jang 1-Step Sparring: Brown (Chokes & Joint Locks) Self-Defense: High Red & Brown (Shoulder Grabs, Bear Hugs, and Head Lock) Falling & Rolling: All from standing Korean: First 24 kicks on page 10 of manual	Korean: All kicks on page 10 of manual  Full curriculum should be known at this time
	Meet attendance requirements	All previous phase requirements	All previous phase requirements	Meet attendance requirements  All previous phase requirements	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Degree	Forms: Taegeuk 1-8, Koryo, Chonji, Dangun, Dosan, Won Yo Knife: 1-2 1-Step Sparring: 3 Hand Techniques Korean: First six kicks on page 10 of manual Self-Defense: Color belt curriculum Falling: Front & Back from knees  Meet attendance requirements	Forms: Joon Goon Knife: 3-4 1-Step Sparring: 3 Kicking Techniques Korean: First 12 kicks on page 10 of manual Self-Defense: Black belt wrist grabs Falling: Right & Left from knees  Meet attendance requirements  All previous phase requirements	Forms: Yul Guk Knife: 5-6 1-Step Sparring: 3 Takedowns Self-Defense: Black belt hair & collar grabs Rolling: Front & Back from knees Korean: First 18 kicks on page 10 of manual Meet attendance requirements	Forms: All 1-Step Sparring: 3 Joint lock/choke Self-Defense: Black belt bear hugs and head lock Falling & Rolling: All falls & rolls from standing up Korean: First 24 kicks on page 10 of manual  Meet attendance requirements	Korean: All kicks on page 10 of manual  Full curriculum should be known at this time
3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree	Forms: WT 1-10, ITF 1-9 Knife: 1-6 1-Step Sparring: 3 Hand Techniques Self-Defense: Color belt curriculum Falling: Front & Back from knees Korean: First six kicks on page 10 of manual  Meet attendance requirements	Forms: Kwan Gae Knife: 7-8 1-Step Sparring: 3 Kicking Techniques Self-Defense: Black belt wrist grabs Falling: Right & Left from knees Korean: First 12 kicks on page 10 of manual  Meet attendance requirements All previous phase requirements	All previous phase requirements  Forms: Taebaek Knife: 9-10 1-Step Sparring: 3 Takedowns Self-Defense: Black belt hair & collar grabs Rolling: Front & Back from knees Korean: First 18 kicks on page 10 of manual  Meet attendance requirements  All previous phase requirements	All previous phase requirements  Forms: All 1-Step Sparring: 3 Joint lock/choke Self-Defense: Black belt bear hugs & head locks Knife: 11-12 Falling & Rolling: All falls & rolls from standing up Korean: First 24 kicks on page 10 of manual  Meet attendance requirements  All previous phase requirements	Korean: All kicks on page 10 of manual  Full curriculum should be known at this time

Note: Forms include the pattern and all corresponding stances and hand techniques.

Candidate Contract Please sign and return to your instructor by Saturday, June 3, 20	2023.	
I understand and agree to fulfill all of the requirements listed at Taekwondo practitioner possible for my black belt promotion to	above. I agree to work hard in classes and practice at home to become testing.	the best
Student Name (Print)		
Student Signature	/	
Parent/Guardian Signature (if candidate is under 16)	/	