

## **DO NOT TOSS --- DOJO INFORMATION KIT YEAR 2013 --- DO NOT TOSS**

**PLEASE KEEP THIS PACKET YEAR ROUND. THE INFORMATION IN IT WILL ANSWER MOST QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR AND INTO SUMMER. (Note: Findlay City Schools closed, all kids classes are closed. Level 2 snow emergency= Adults closed. National Holidays dojo is closed)**

**BELT PROMOTIONS:** Take place every 3 months/4 times a year.

**BELT COST:** Yellow, Orange and Orange Green \$30/per, Blue, Blue Green, Green \$35/per, Green 1 brown, 2brown, 3 brown \$40, Brown, Brown 1 black, 2black, 3black \$45, Purple, Purple 1 black \$50, Shodan Ho (Black w white stripe) \$100, jr. Shodan Black Belt \$100.

**TESTING RULES:** Must be in presentable uniform, Testing Fees MUST be presented via cash or check BEFORE testing begins or the child will have to sit the promotion out. If the student flunks (rare but occurs) They will be able to test again in two weeks. IF the student cannot be present (happens a lot) Sensei Cullen will pick an alternate date. (Usually during regular class times off to the side)

**TEST RESULTS:** May be stated at promotional or at a date later (Usually the next week) New Belts come are awarded when they arrive from the factory. IF YOU SKIP A BELT: You are required to pay the additional belt testing fees before receiving the belt. REALIZE: Each belt that is skipped also saves you \$210 per belt you skipped because you now don't have to pay the monthly dues it would have taken to get each belt.

**FRONT BENCH AREA:** This is STRICKLY for STUDENTS ONLY who are waiting for their time to get on the floor to train. NO ADULTS ARE WELCOME on the front pew. If you are going to sit in class and support your child, please take a seat in the two pews located behind the barrier wall. We offer FREE WIFI for those who wish to catch up on facebook or email during class. (Talk to Sensei about logging in)

**PLEASE KEEP YOUR AREA CLEAN>** We don't go to your house and leave empty cups, papers, wrappers or other things on your coffee table. THIS IS YOUR DOJO, so please keep the floor and benches clean at all times.

**SLEEP OVERS:** We offer 2 or more sleep over opportunities for your karate kids. Meals are provided for supper and breakfast the next morning. We extend this offer to other children in your family or your child's friends or cousins as well. Movies on the big screen, dojo games, fun for all is provided from 5pm on Friday till 10 am on Saturday. Cost is \$40 for the 1st family member and \$20 for additional family members. Friends may go at \$40 per child and their parents will need to sign a waiver. Our staff is FBI/BCI cleared so feel comfort in knowing your kids are in a fun, safe environment, while you and yours have a date night or night out on the town.

**DOJO APPRECIATION NIGHTS:** These are held once or twice a year as a way to say thank you for your support. Activities are family based and food is provided.

**WINTER CAMP/SUMMER CAMP** These are training opportunities for your child to investigate different martial arts in a fun, safe way. Camp fees based upon instructing staff, kids day camps only from 9am-5pm

**HALLOWEEN:** Our dojo proudly represents itself at the yearly Findlay Halloween parade. Kids are dropped off at a predetermined point downtown and then parents meet us back at the dojo afterwards for cookies and hot spiced cider. Kids will be screened and staff will decide who rides on the float and who walks, as well as who hands out candy.

# **SCHOOL/DOJO RULES**

**Respect yourself and all of those around you at all times.**

**Bow to all black belts before speaking to them.**

**Enter into the class environment with a completely open mind**

**Be an empty vessel which can be filled.**

**No gum chewing or lozenges unless ok'd by Sensei due to a cold.**

**Never come to class having consumed alcohol previously that day.**

**No tobacco products to be consumed on premises or in plain site at dojo.**

**Uniform must be clean when practicing at dojo.**

**Student must have good personal hygiene.**

**Toenails and fingernails are to be kept trimmed to avoid senseless cuts.**

**No profanity is allowed in school or on school premises.**

**Control your emotions – let them flow through and out of you.**

**Never touch any weapons or training gear without permission.**

**Do not wear uniform outside of dojo. \* around school, halloween etc.**

**Always ask questions! Raise hand and wait to be recognized.**

**No shoes allowing in dojo area.**

**Bow when entering and leaving dojo area. (Anywhere past the Fish Tank)**

**Training uniform is to be white only. (Except senior black belts 3rd + Up)**

**Wear only patches authorized by school headmaster.**

**Address qualified instructors as “Sensei \_\_\_\_\_” or “Mr. \_\_\_\_\_”**

**When late, change into uniform and sit in seiza position until waved in.**

**Line up according to rank, highest to the right in a perfectly straight line.**