

# Code of Conduct for Students, Parents, and Spectators

## Students

- ***Students should put the belt on after arriving at the studio*** and remove it before leaving the studio.
- ***Wear the complete uniform, or not at all.*** If a student is missing part of the uniform for some reason, he or she should ask the instructor for permission to do the class in street clothes, and make every effort to be ready with proper uniform for the next class.
- ***Uniforms should be clean and in good condition.***
- ***Street shoes*** are not allowed on the mat at any time.
- ***Food or drink*** is not allowed on the mat at any time.
- ***Addressing instructors:***
  - Little Dragons should address instructors as Miss Tammy, Miss Dawn, Mr. Jim, Sifu, etc.
  - Juniors should address instructors as Mrs. Walters, Miss Rowland, Mr. Lane, Sifu, etc.
  - The highest ranking student in the class should address the instructor formally (Mr. Lane, Miss Rowland, etc). The instructor will then move the class to a first name basis.
  - During class, Sifu should be addressed by adults as Sifu or Sir. Outside of class, first name is appropriate, but keep in mind that adults should be aware of who's around and set an example for Juniors or Little Dragons in the area.
- ***Cell phones should be turned to silent during class.*** If a student has an important call that may come in during class, he or she should let the instructor know, turn the ringer volume down, and make every effort to avoid disrupting the class should the call come in.
- ***Feedback isn't just welcome – it's strongly encouraged.*** If you like something, don't like something, or have an idea, please let us know in person, by dropping a note in the comment box, or with a call or an email.
- ***Be early for class if at all possible, and come ready to train.***
- ***Be considerate of other students!*** If there's another class going on before or after your class, please make every effort to avoid loud conversations or other things that might disrupt that class.

## **Parents and Spectators:**

- Remember that you're in the bleachers, watching a class.
  - ***Feel free to talk, but keep the volume down.*** Please make every effort to help the other spectators have a great viewing experience.
  - ***Answer your cell phone if necessary, but speak quietly*** and, if the conversation takes longer than 30 seconds, please take it outside.
  - ***If you have small children with you, it's your responsibility to supervise them.*** You should act to control quiet your child in the bleachers or play area before our instructors have to do it.
  - ***We allow food and drinks in the bleachers, with exceptions.*** Please, nothing that smells to strong and, when you're done, clean up any mess. If you spill something, you are responsible for cleaning it up. It's a safe bet that anyone you see working at the studio is an instructor, not a janitor or a busboy.
  - ***No coaching from the sidelines or bleachers.*** When a class is in session, the instructor will run the class. Calling suggestions to students in class is disruptive and strongly discouraged. If the instructor requires the assistance of a parent in handling his or her child, then the instructor will request that help.
  - ***Before, during, and between classes, only enrolled students are allowed on the mats.*** Friends and siblings who are watching the class are welcome to watch and may make use of the play area, but use of the training floor is restricted to active students. Friends and siblings who would like to try the class should ask for permission to do the class with us.
  - ***If you are dropping your child off for class, please be aware of when the class will be ending and be back at least 5 minutes before the end of the class.***
  - ***Your child will have a better class*** if you get to the studio at least 5 minutes before class starts. If you have to arrive as class is starting or after it starts, we understand and appreciate the efforts you make to make your late entry in as quiet a manner as possible.