

# Student Pledge & Principles of Black Belt

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We always tell our students that in order for you to become a Black Belt on the outside...you first must become a Black Belt on the inside. Therefore we always recite the student pledge at the beginning of each class and the Principles of Black Belt at the end of each class. It's imperative that all of our students maintain a positive state of mind and possess a high moral and ethic standard.

Perhaps one of the worst things we could ever do is share the secrets and the power of martial arts with someone not mentally prepared to handle the awesome responsibility required to do so.

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## Student Pledge

### Line 1

I intend to develop myself in a positive manner, and to avoid anything that would reduce my mental growth or physical health.

### Line 2

I intend to develop self-discipline in order to bring out the best in myself and others.

### Line 3

I intend to use what I learn in class constructively and defensively, to help myself and others and never to be abusive or offensive.

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## The Principles of Black Belt

As a dedicated student of the martial arts, I shall live by the principles of Black Belt:

Modesty  
Courtesy  
Integrity  
Self-Control  
Perseverance  
Indomitable Spirit

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## Little Ninjas Pledge

Winners Never Quit  
Quitters Never Win  
I Choose To Be A Winner!

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Please take the time to memorize and understand the Student Pledge/Little Ninjas Pledge and Principles of Black Belt. Martial Artists are people who hold themselves to a higher standard. This is the major difference between martial arts and any other activity you may become involved in. Martial Arts truly is a way of life.

