

MARSHALL'S ATA BLACK BELT TIMES

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Official Board Break Testing

Marshall's ATA will conduct our Official Board Break Testing on Wed Feb 15th, 2012. The Board Break Testing will be conducted during the regular class hours for the 4:00pm Master Club Junior/TT Class, the 5:00pm Camo & Above class and the 6:45pm all ranks Juniors/Adults class. Leadership, please wear your complete white traditional ATA uniform (dobok) for this event whether you are testing or assisting.

Marshall's ATA will Conduct Leap Year Belt Testing

Marshall's ATA will be conducting our Leap Year Testing on Feb 16th & 17th. The Tiny Tigers will be testing on Thursday Feb 16th beginning with the W, O, Y from 5:15 to 6:00pm. The Camo's & Above will test from 6:15 to 7:00pm. We will test the W, O, Y Juniors & Adults on the following day Friday Feb 17th beginning at 5:15 - 6:00pm. The Camo's & Above will test

from 6:30 to 7:45pm. This will be a very special testing as we will have students testing for First Degree Black Belt decided.

Marshall's ATA Black Belt Induction Ceremony

The Black Belt Induction is a symbolic ceremony where students pass on a gift to their Instructor that reflects their feelings and sentiments about the training they've received in reaching their new rank. In return the Instructor passes on symbolic items that represent their continued commitment to them as students. The Inductees state their New goals for their training and then sign the scroll. The ceremony itself is done all in candlelight. It is completely quiet except for the reading and for the sounding of the gong.

February Leadership Classes

The February Leadership Classes will be Sat mornings in 2012. Sat Feb 11th & Feb 18th at 8:30am. We will discuss "Courtesy" What is the Golden Rule and how can students show courtesy in

their community. Also we will discuss the Instructor Points of "Teaching Skills" We will discuss how verbalizing expectations helps students in class.

Marshall's ATA will Conduct Spring Break Camp

Marshall's ATA will conduct a Spring Break Camp on Wed & Thur Mar 21st & 22nd from 8:15a to 3:30pm. We will work on Forms, Sparring Combos, Weapons, Board Breaks, Sparring & Fun Drills. We will see a G or PG rated movie in the afternoon and have some fun drills before we officially bow out at 3:30pm. Camp is \$75.00.

Marshall's Policy for Bad Weather procedures Follows Denton ISD

The decision to close schools due to bad weather is made when possible by 6:30am. School closings are reported on the Denton ISD website, the Denton Record Chronicle Online and on the major local television & radio stations.

Special points of interest:

- Marshall's ATA Official Board Break Testing
- Marshall's ATA Leap Year Testing on Feb 16th & 17th, 2012
- Marshall's ATA Black Belt Induction Ceremony
- February Birthdays
- February Leadership Classes on Saturday Feb 11th & 18th
- Master Kevin Henderson's Class "A" Tournament in Humble, TX in Feb 2012
- Marshall's ATA Spring Break Camp Mar 21/22nd

Tournaments:

Humble, TX Master Kevin Henderson (A)	Feb24/ 25th, 2012
Songahm 2012 Spring Nat'l's Las Vegas, NV	March 21st thru 24th

Attitude

"It is our attitude at the beginning of a difficult task, which more than anything else, will affect it's successful outcome." - William James

"Two men look out the same prison bars; ones sees mud and the other sees stars." -Frederick Langbridge

Marshall's ATA Black Belt Induction Ceremony

Marshall's ATA will conduct our Black Belt Induction Ceremony at sunset on Feb 18th, 2012. New 1st Degree Black Belts Black Belts & Black Belt Recommendeds who've achieved their rank during the previous year 2011 are invited

are encouraged to participate in the ceremony. This is an ancient tradition that goes back thousands of years and encompasses all martial arts styles and organizations. This ceremony links us to all martial artists

everywhere who have chosen to undergo the rigor and demands both physical, mental, emotional and spiritual to pursue and achieve the Black Belt in their martial arts discipline. I will be sending out the information for the event shortly.

Marshall's ATA Summer Camps in June/July

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Marshall's ATA will be conducting our Summer Camps in June & July 2012. Our Fitness/Sparring Camp will be conducted from June 4th thru 8th from 9:00a - 1:00p. The Rank Advancement Camp & testing begins after World Championships June 25th thru 29th. The Weapons Camp will begin on July 9th thru 13th. You can reserve your place in the Camps at an early bird special price of \$175.00 from now until March 1st. From March 1st thru May 1st, the cost will be \$200.00 and from May 2nd until the start of the Sparring/Fitness Camp on June 4th, the cost will be \$250.00. Two Camps can be purchased for \$300.00 ending May 1st. There's no discount for the Rank Adv Camp June 25th - 29th. The price is \$250.00 & it includes the fee for testing Friday. The signup sheet will be at the front desk.

In-School Tournament

Marshall's ATA will be conducting our final In-School tournament of the 2011/12 tournament year on Saturday March 17th (St. Patrick's Day). There will be competition in Traditional Forms, Weapons & Sparring. We will also have a division for Creative & XMA Forms, Weapons and our first ever Combat Bahng Mahng Ee sparring. We will have the Tiny Tigers competition first and then we will have the Juniors/Adults competition. The cost is only \$35.00 to participate in all categories. This event will be an opportunity for our Leadership & CIT students who have been competing and earning points toward a State or World Champ title in preparation for World Championships in Little Rock in June.

School 2012 Photo Shoot

Please mark your calendars now for the annual Marshall's ATA photo shoot by Boster Studios. They will be here at the school conducting the photo shoot on April 19th & 20th. Boster Studios has been the Marshall's ATA official photographers for many years and we are proud to have them back this year doing their usual great work. I will send out additional information so that our families will be able to schedule their session in the most convenient time slot possible. Each year they take an action shot, a head shot and a photo with the student posing with weapons of their choice which are provided by Boster Studios. This is an exciting and major school event. Students will wear their traditional white uniform & no footwear is worn in the photos.

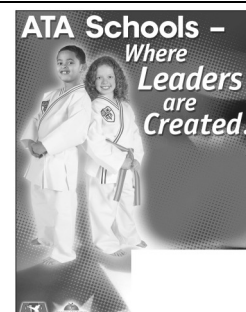


Protocol for Testing

Students must be on a program in order to be eligible to test. Students must wear their traditional white uniform. Any student who is at the testing but not participating is still expected to be wearing their complete uniform. Leadership students are expected to assist in whatever capacity necessary.

Congratulations to Miss Mel Brianne Chan, Mr. Brian Chan, and Mr. Casey Ehler on having a successful midterm on their 1st Degree Black Recommended Belt. Next stop with hard work & dedication is 1st Degree Black Belt Decided at the Leap Year Testing.

Congratulations to Mr. Paul Desjardins, Mrs. Kelly Desjardins, Miss Destini Gil, Miss Ciara Gil, Mr. Ethan Desjardins & Mr. Christian Ubanii on achieving their Black Belt Recommended Belt.



2012 - Think, Pray, Work, Sweat & Play... Everyday

Marshall's ATA will Host a New Parent Orientation Meeting on Feb 4th, 2012 at 2:00pm

Marshall's ATA Official Board Break Testing Feb 15th, 2012

Marshall's ATA Leap Year Testing Feb 16 Tiny Tigers & Fri Feb 17th. 5:15 - 6:00 & 6:30 - 7:45

Leadership Classes on Saturday Feb 11th & 18th, 2012 from 8:30 - 9:30am

Master Kevin Henderson's Tournament at the Humble Civic Center, Feb 25, 2012

Marshall's ATA Black Belt Induction Ceremony February 18th, 2012 at 6:30

Marshall's ATA Monthly New Parent Orientation Conference

The effectiveness of our communication is measured by ensuring that all of our families and students are fully aware of the activities and happenings occurring here at Marshall's ATA. I send out a monthly Newsletter and email updates but invariably not everyone is apprised of the monthly activities. We will begin hosting monthly New Parent Orientation Conferences starting February 4th at 2:00pm. At the New Parent Conferences, we will explain our practices and policies such as advancement & testing,

uniforms and equipment needed for class, class organization, financial policies, training programs, upcoming school activities. We will answer any questions and/or concerns the parents and students may have about any aspect of their training experience. We will also ask questions to determine how we can best help our current and potential students in accomplishing the goals they may have set for their training. We want to establish that we are a partnership with the parents and families & we are fully committed to changing lives here at Marshall's ATA. There will be pizza and refreshments following the meeting.