

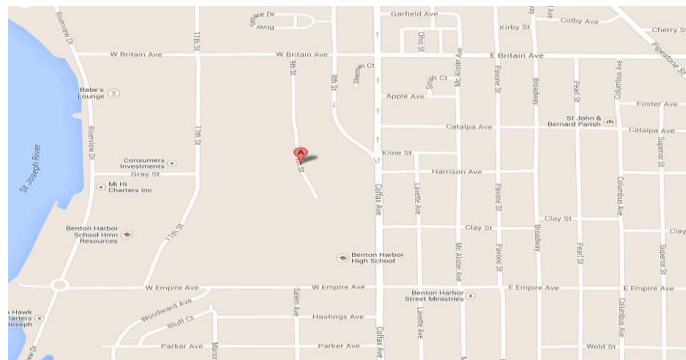


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NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2013



NEW BENTON HARBOR LOCATION

The Benton Harbor READY Academy will move to a new location by the end of September! This new location will allow the school to grow and offer new programs, as well as provide improved facilities for current programs. (See map above, 801 9th St. BH)

We need your help in order to get it done. There will be a volunteer sign-up sheet at both Benton Harbor and Coloma schools. Please help make a difference by offering your time and muscle!

Third Annual Fundraiser / Mini-tournament

Date: Saturday, October 26th

Time: Tournament - 12:00 noon

Carnival - 3 - 7 pm

Location: READY Taekwondo Benton Harbor Academy

(New Location: 801 9th St. BH)

This event is an important fundraiser for the Academy, and an opportunity to enjoy a day of fun with other students, families and friends.

Tournament:

This mini-tournament, between the Benton Harbor Taekwondo Academy and the Coloma Taekwondo Academy.

The tournament following fees will be charged:

Form and/or Sparring \$45.00

Board Breaking (extra) \$10.00

Spectator Fee \$5.00

(Children *under* 5 are free)

Carnival activities include:

Ping Pong Goldfish

Bean Bag Toss

Balloon Pop

Ring Toss

Face Painting

Pool / Water Activities, and more!

A small fee will be charged for each game. Prizes will be given away for games.

Food will be available for sale, and there will be Door Prizes!!!

Silent Auction:

In addition to all of the fun tournament and carnival activities to help us raise money for the academies, a silent auction will be occurring throughout the day, with great items donated by businesses throughout the community!

Testing

Coloma Academy Testing

Date: Saturday, September 14th

Time: 4 pm

*** *Report cards & progress reports not required***

Benton Harbor Testing-- *New Location: 801 9th St. BH*

Date: Saturday, September 28th

Time: 4 pm

*** *Report cards & progress reports not required***

Belt Ceremony

Both Schools-- *New Location: 801 9th St. BH*

Date: Thursday, October 17th

Time: 5:30- 7pm

****Since we are not reviewing report cards this time, students may leave immediately after receiving their new belts***

Seminar

Grand Master Sosa Seminar

Date: Saturday, October 12th

Location: Coloma Academy

Times: 1pm-- Instructor workout with Grandmaster Sosa

3:30pm-- Seminar begins for all students and instructors

****Attendance required of all students -- FREE ADMISSION***

PROMOTIONAL TESTING INFORMATION

The promotional testing cycle is every three or four months. This places us more in line with *Victory Taekwondo Chung Do Kwan Association (VTCDKA)*, of which R.E.A.D.Y. is a member. All students who qualify will be tested.

Please make sure your name is on the Pre-Test sheet. See Sr. Master Young or Mrs. Christine Kelemen for sign-up.

Black Belts will test once a year, testing date/time to be announced.

Each school will have their own Promotional Testing.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PROMOTIONAL TESTING

Because the last testing started late and went too long, we are implementing the following requirements:

- Pay for test fees at least 24 hours before testing day
- The VTCDKA membership form must be completed and membership fee paid (white belts and any new students)
- All returning students must fill out a renewal form and pay the \$5.00 fee
- Turn in "Request to Promote" forms, report cards and/or progress reports (*see note on each school schedule below)
- Each student must acquire their own **Taekwondo Student Guide** before the next testing. This is considered a necessary portion of documenting one's training in the Martial Art discipline of Taekwondo

and works as a successful training tool in conjunction with the physical portion of training. The cost is \$35.00 per student guide.

- Please see R.E.A.D.Y. Taekwondo staff at your respective schools to place your order and purchase these student guides.

Please note: Students must have all of these requirements completed **24 hours before** the test date **or student will not be allowed to test.**

SPARRING GEAR REQUIREMENT

Sparring equipment will be on sale at the academy. Students can purchase a set of equipment or just purchase each individual item. See Program Director for cost and ordering.

DOJANG ETIQUETTE

Expected Behavior

Behavior in the Dojang has improved but still needs work.

- Please, NO climbing on equipment
- Students and parents waiting should show respect to those in class by using lowered voices when talking
- Students waiting for class should not run around or rough house, and be disruptive of the training in session
- When class is over, please remain seated OR go home

Students Coming Late for Class

Late arrivals will not be allowed to participate in class. Please be sure your student arrives in enough time to get ready for class and begin on time.