



# OUR NEWS

## NEW RED TOP!

### Junior Rank Black Belt Class Assistant Announced



**New Red Top!** Congratulations to Josey Bauer. Grandmaster Crandall presented Josey with her red uniform top at the end of Thursday night's class, May 7, 2026.

In our school, only certified adult black belts instructors (aged 18+) may teach. However, junior rank black belts (under 18 years old) may apply to be a "Junior Rank Black Belt Class Assistant". As a young adult under the age of 18, they have not yet had to take on the responsibilities that most adults have, the maturity of their personality is essential in the true understanding and teaching of the martial arts and that has not yet taken place.

These junior rank black belts are role models for other students. They set examples with their attitudes, their enthusiasm, and their skills. The red tops learn about leadership qualities through a structured educational program. There is no fee for the red top program, and not everyone who applies will qualify. The candidate must submit an application to Grandmaster Crandall, and then they are considered over the course of weeks or months.

Many of our former red tops have gone on to become full instructors. For more information about the red top program, see our website, the book "Leadership Piece by Piece" (by Headmaster Stalloch and Grandmaster Crandall), or speak with your instructor.



Josey will be assisting at some of our children's classes starting next week. Headmaster Stalloch oversees the red top program for Grandmaster Crandall. Josey will continue to train in regular classes under her instructor.

## ABOUT OUR ARCHIVES

The American Martial Arts Institute maintains a library at its main office with records of rank promotions, events, publications, media coverage, photographs, and videos. These are in the form of photo albums, copies of our publications, preserved news articles, and digital files such as videos and photographs from events in our history. In 1998, the American Martial Arts Institute launched its first website. Since then, the website has undergone many updates to keep up with changing technology. Many of our school's events and history are recorded on this website; however, not all testing results are maintained online (although testing records are maintained at our school). Events prior to 1998, are kept at our school library. This webpage documents some of our school's history.

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