CHILDREN'S TESTING REQUIREMENTS

DATES FOR TESTING

Notice will be given two weeks prior to testing.

NOTES:

- 1. Testing fee is \$15. All stripes and belts purchased for the student by Redlands Aikikai.
- 2. Testing will take place quarterly. Dates for tests will be announced about one month in advance. (Please note that not every child will be tested every quarter, especially those children of higher rank.)
- 3. Students will be deemed eligible for testing by a board consisted of the Sensei' and business manager.
 - a. Eligibility will be based on sufficient amount of time in the candidate's current rank, maturity, as well as the development of sufficient skill for the requirements of the next test.
 - b. We will endeavor always to avoid any unnecessary nervousness by testing children when they are truly ready. At the same time our goal is to empower each student by giving them the opportunity for a good test as soon as they are ready
- 4. At each change of belt color, students turn in a completed worksheet the day of the test. The worksheet will be given to the student the week prior to the test.
- 5. All techniques to be done both omote and ura, twice each, unless otherwise specified.

Test Etiquette:

Beginning your test: when Sensei calls your name shikko to the center of the mat and do a seated bow to the shomen. Turn and do a seated bow to Sensei. Bow to your partner and wait for Sensei to announce what technique to perform. Keep repeating the technique until asked to stop. Ending your test: When Sensei signals the end of the test, you and your partner do a seated bow to each other, then to Sensei and finally a seated bow to the shomen. Shikko back to line.

SKILLS REQUIREMENTS:

NINTH KYU - WHITE BELT

9-1 One White Stripe - (White Belt)
Worksheet
Formal seated bow
Side (Log) Roll
Kokyu-ho Irimi/Tenkan
1st Rule - Be respectful of everyone

EIGHTH KYU - WHITE BELT

8-1 Orange Stripe - (White Belt) Worksheet All previous techniques, plus: Front and back kneeling rolls Kokyu-ho Irimi/Tenkan Funakogi Stop-Turn Rowing

SEVENTH KYU - WHITE BELT

7-1 One Yellow Stripe - (White Belt)
Worksheet
Shikko
Front and back rolls, kneeling
Kokyu-ho Tenkan and Irimi
Kosa Dori Ikkyo, omote

7-2 Two Yellow Stripes - (White Belt)
15 hours
All previous techniques, plus:
Kosa Dori Ikkyo, ura
Kosa Dori Irimi nage, ura

SIXTH KYU - YELLOW BELT

Worksheet All previous techniques, plus: Escape from wrist grab Mune Tsuki Irimi Nage, ura

6-1 One Purple Stripe - (Yellow Belt)

All previous techniques, plus: Standing forward and back rolls Kosa Dori Hiji Otoshi, ura Mune Tsuki Hiji Otoshi, ura

6-2 Two Purple Stripes - (Yellow Belt)

All previous techniques, plus: Yokomen Uchi Shihonage Katate Dori kokyu nage (kotai and zenshin) Kokyu Tanden Ho Weapons:

Bokken: Suburi #1

FIFTH KYU - PURPLE BELT

Worksheet
All previous techniques, plus:
Sytema Forward & Back Rolls
Escape from Shomenuchi (irimi, tenkan)
Shomenuchi Ikkyo
Katate Dori Shihonage (omote and ura)
Weapons:

Bokken: Suburi #2

5-1 One Blue Stripe - (Purple Belt)

All previous techniques, plus: Ryote Dori Tenchinage Mune Tsuki Ikkyo Weapons: Bokken: Suburi #3

Jo: Suburi #1

5-2 Two Blue Stripes - (Purple Belt)

All previous techniques, plus: Mune Tsuki Kaitennage Kata Dori Ikkyo Weapons:

Bokken: Suburi #4

Shomen & Yokomen Uchi from Seigan & Hasso Gedan

Jo: Suburi #2

FOURTH KYU - BLUE BELT

Worksheet
All previous techniques, plus:
Katate Dori Ryote Mochi Kokyu Tanden Ho I & II
Ryote Dori Shihonage
Yokomen Uchi Kokyu Nage
Weapons:
Bokken: Suburi #5
Jo: Suburi #3
Jo Basic Form (Solo)

4-1 One Green Stripe - (Blue Belt)

All previous techniques, plus: Yokomen Uchi Hiji Otoshi Shomen Uchi Kokyu Nage Katate Dori Ryote Mochi Kokyu Tanden Ho III & IV Ushiro Ryokatate Dori Shihonage Ushiro Ryokata Dori Ikkyo Weapons:

Bokken: Suburi #6 Jo: Suburi #4

Jo Basic Form (Partner)

THIRD KYU - GREEN BELT

Worksheet

All previous techniques, plus:

Hanmi Handachi: Katate Dori and Ryokatate Dori Shihonage

Katate Dori Ikkyo Katadori Iriminage Yokomen Uchi Ikkyo Shomen Uchi Nikyo, Sankyo and Yonkyo Weapons:

Bokken: Suburi #7 Sword Happo Giri Jo: Suburi #5

3-1 One Brown Stripe - (Green Belt)

All previous techniques, plus:
Ushiro Ryokatate Dori Kokyunage
Ushiro Katate Dori Kubi Shime Kokyunage
Yokomen Uchi Nikyo and Sankyo
Suwari Waza Ikkyo from Shomen Uchi and Kata Dori
Weapons:
Bokken: Basic Partner Form

Jo: Suburi #6-10 31 Jo Kata

Internal ranking and ASU ranking: Redlands Aikikai is affiliated with Aikido Schools of Ueshiba (ASU). ASU awards black belts only after the candidate has attained the age of 16.

Prior to the age of 15, Redlands Aikikai awards its internal belt ranks through 3rd kyu. After attaining 15 years of age the student is eligible to become a member of ASU, at a rank decided on by the Chief Instructor.