# HANSAS ELITE MARTIAL ARTS TOURNAMENT 03.15.2014

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Sponsored by Hanshi Dan Kennedy and the United States Kenpo Kobujitsu Federation

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Saturday, March 15 Cedar Ridge Christian Church Gymnasium 8835 Lackman Rd., Lenexa, KS (Just south of 87th on Lackman)

> TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEE: \$35.00 - 1 OR ALL EVENTS (\$45.00 DAY OF TOURNAMENT)

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- Pre-registration of all competitors will help make the tournament run faster and more efficient!
- Please register EARLY!
   We expect a terrific turnout, so we will need to begin on time, please be punctual.
- All pre-registration fees must be turned in to Lenexa Karate Academy by Wednesday, March 5th!
- Safety equipment for sparring is required. You will need foam hand, head and foot gear, mouthpiece and groin protector. Chest protector is highly recommended.
- Divisions will be divided into appropriate age and rank so everyone has a good time.

9:00 a.m. Check-in / Register

10:00 a.m. Tournament Begins All ranks. Ages 5 and up

Weapons Kata Team Kata Individual Kata Sparring

#### Register online at: www.kansaskarate.com/registration

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#### Pre-register by Wednesday, March 5

#### For additional information:

Lenexa Karate Academy \* 13960 Santa Fe Trail Drive \* Lenexa, Kansas 66215 \* 913-962-1640 or visit or web site: www.kansaskarate.com

#### FAIRNESS IN JUDGING

We are aware that all martial artists harbor style bias at some level. In order to make our tournament as fair as possible, we would like to first, invite as many black belts from other organizations, who will be in attendance on 3/15/14, to assist in judging. With a diverse group, we will get a broader representation of martial art styles and achieve a more balanced outcome in our events. We would prefer not to load up each ring with black belts from one style, but will if no others step up.

We would like to offer a few *guidelines* for judging kata, as a number of black belts have voiced concern that they do not feel qualified to do so. These are guidelines, suggestions, an attempt to create a fair competition, with both weapon and open hand forms.

It is important to recognize the differences between hard and soft styles. Harder styles will emphasize the generation of power, whereas softer styles will emphasize flow. Some styles strive for a balance of both. Judging a softer style by the standards of a hard style is not appropriate. Here are some criteria that should not be bound by style.

**Balance** — How well the competitor maintains balance throughout the form. Balance is required to generate power or flow.

**Intensity/Focus** — These affects the entire form. Can you imagine the opponents while watching the competitor? It is the difference between simply performing, and executing in a convincing manner. Does it look pretty or dangerous?

**Power/Flow** — For the harder styles, generation of power is paramount. For softer styles, flow is valued. How well does the competitor achieve these goals?

#### SPARRING

Sparring rules are simple; 1 point for a technique, first to five wins the match. We will cover rules with a Q&A at the tournament before sparring, but here is a quick look at them:

- First to five wins match.
- 1 point each technique
- Must wear protective gear (foam hand, head and foot gear, mouthpiece and groin protector. Chest protector is highly recommended.)
- Target areas: back and side of head, groin, front and side of torso area.
- All techniques MUST be controlled/controllable
- NO face contact for under brown belt and under 16.
- Blood drawn, regardless of fault is automatic disqualification.
- No coaching and No time outs.

We want everyone to leave with a smile and have a safe experience at our tournament. Let's go have some fun!



## **Competitor Registration Form** 2014 Kansas Elite Martial Arts Tournament

Instructions: (You MUST include all items on checklist or your entry will not be processed)

- Complete Registration Form: please fill out the entry form completely. Any missing items will result in delay of your registration on the day of the tournament. Or register online at www.kansaskarate.com/registration
- **Registration Fee Check:** Event registration check is to be made payable to **Lenexa Karate Academy**. Pre-Registration fee is \$35.00 (\$45.00 day of) and is to be turned in by March 5, 2014.
- Liability Release Form: Read and sign the liability release form (at bottom). If the competitor is under 18 years old a parent or guardian must sign the release form.

COMPETITOR INFORMATION				
Last Name:			First Name:	
Address:				
City:			State:	Zip:
Phone:			Email:	
Parents Name:			Instructors Name:	
REGISTRATION FOR COMPETITION				
Belt Color Uhite Vellow Orange Blue Green Purple Red Brown Black	Age         □       6 & under         □       7-9 yr.         □       10-12 yr.         □       13-14 yr.         □       15-17 yr.         □       18-32 yr.         □       33 & over	Gender Male Female	Weight         50 lbs & under         51 to 65 lbs         61 to 75 lbs         76 to 90 lbs         91 to 120 lbs         121 to 160 lbs         161 to 204 lbs         205 lbs and over	Event Weapons Kata Empty Hand Kata Sparring Team Kata (teams must consist of 3 or more competitors.)

TEAM KATA: Team name and competitors on team

#### Liability release .

In consideration of your acceptance of my entry, I do hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive, release and forever discharge any and all rights and claims for damages for which I have or may accrue to me, against Lenexa Karate Academy, United States kenpo Kobujitsu, Elite Martial Arts Tournament, and all members of the tournament, or their respective officers, and against any competitor for any and all damages which may be sustained by me in connection with any association with or entry in the above athletic meet, or which may arise out of traveling to, participating in, and returning from such athletic meet.