



STORM TEAM (SUPER TEAM OF ROLE MODELS)

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What is it? STORM Team is the team of students in the Lil' Dragons and Blue Dragons Programs who are excellent role models for the other students to follow. They especially help new students that are trying out or just started but really set an example for the whole student body. They demonstrate through action what to do in class and are often helpers or assistants to the Sensei by putting equipment away, demonstrating a technique, holding pads, passing out stickers and more.

How do I get on STORM Team? Anyone can be on STORM Team but you must work to meet these basics: You must be setting an example for other students at all times, so you must have excellent Dojo behavior and manners in class. You must be answering, focusing and doing your best. You must be kind, helpful and follow the Dojo Kune at all times! This means you need to be doing whatever it is you're supposed to be doing in class at all times. For instance, if you are to be quietly lined up in waiting stance, you can't be chatting on the floor or playing with equipment. Your Gi should be clean, with all proper patches, worn/tied neatly and all equipment brought to every class in working order. Proper techniques are important (you should be striving to improve them at all times) but the real focus of STORM Team is doing YOUR best and setting an example. You must be at least a yellow belt in Blue Dragons and a green stripe in Lil' Dragons. You should let the Senseis know you want to try to get on STORM Team so they can give you input.

What does STORM Team get and get to do? After you work to get on STORM Team and succeed, you will get a STORM Team patch to show your effort and let the other students know you are a good role model. STORM Team is expected to have "student of the day" manners and behavior at every class, so they will not be given student of the day stickers very often. They do however get to have STORM Team events like: field trips, Dojo parties, special training classes and more. In addition, STORM Team often gets privileges like coupons for friends training, free PNO coupons, give-aways and more.

What is expected after you get on STORM Team? Now that you are on STORM Team you must continue to set a great example in every class or event you attend, with loud answers, focus, respect, honesty, etc. You must continue all the effort and behavior you did to get on the team! You will often be asked to help new or trial students during their first class. You will shadow them and set an example by your actions and help them with any questions they might have and help them follow the rules and learn the basics (but let Sensei actually instruct them). Many times new students feel more comfortable with another kid helping them instead of an adult and since you were once a beginner too, now it is your turn to help and be a good Sempai. Team members in class should help clean up equipment and any messes they see, politely help other students stay on track, and help the Senseis as needed.