

UNITED STATES KARATE ALLIANCE

USKA DOUBLE MAXIMUM SANCTION

2026

LOUISIANA STATE KARATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

— & STATE POINT AWARDS PRESENTATION —



**LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY - LAMBRIGHT SPORTS COMPLEX
RUSTON, LOUISIANA**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

OPEN TO ALL KOREAN, JAPANESE, OKINAWAN, CHINESE STYLES AND ORGANIZATIONS

MAIN EVENTS

WEAPONS | FORMS | SPARRING | CHANBARA



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"In memory of Dr. David Jordan, 10th Degree Black Belt" – U.S. Karate Alliance Co-Founder & National Director





Dr. David Jordan
(Feb. 17, 1944-Sept. 18, 2016)

Dr. Jordan began his training in the martial arts as a member of the San Antonio Karate Association in 1967. His instructor was Mr. Atlee Chittim, an eighth degree black belt, who is known as one of the founding fathers of southwestern karate in the US. Jordan received his black belt after two years of intense training on April 16, 1969. It was during this period that he met Grandmaster Robert A. Trias at the 1968 Grand Nationals in Kansas City and became a member of the United States Karate Association.

After receiving his black belt he enrolled in Sam Houston State University to work on a master's degree in health and physical education. During this time, he served as instructor for the Sam Houston Karate Team. In December 1970 he was appointed Texas state representative for the United States Karate Association.

In 1970, Jordan enrolled in Texas A&M University to begin working on his Ph.D. in physical education. After establishing the Texas A&M Tae Kwon Do team, Dr. Jordan hosted the first annual Texas A&M University Karate Championships in November 1971. On September 9, 1971, Mr. Chittim promoted Dr. Jordan to the rank of second degree black belt. After leaving Texas A&M two years later, he went to LeTourneau College in Longview, Texas. He became chairman of the Division of Physical Education and Athletics, and established the LeTourneau Karate Team. He coached the LeTourneau College Karate Team and also taught Korean karate classes at the YMCA and Longview city recreation program. Dr. Jordan and Mr. Rodney Tooley co-promoted the Letourneau College Karate Championships in 1974. Dr. Jordan conducted two fighting seminars in San Antonio and trained with Master Chittim whenever possible. He was promoted to 3rd Degree Black Belt on February 6, 1974

In 1976, Dr. Jordan became a professor at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, Louisiana. He formed the Louisiana Tech Karate Team and promoted the Louisiana Tech Karate Championships in 1978. Dr. Jordan also became very active in the United States Karate Association serving as the national points coordinator and member of the national rules committee and regional director. In 1984, Grandmaster Trias appointed Dr. Jordan International Style Head for all Korean and American Tae Kwon Do. Dr. Jordan promoted state and regional karate tournaments each year and was tournament promoter for the USKA World Karate Tournament. Dr. Jordan was promoted in rank several times during this period with the final promotion by Grandmaster Trias to 7th Degree Black Belt in 1989. Dr. Jordan was the United States Karate Association National Coach of the Year in 1982, 1983, 1984, 1988 and 1989 while the Louisiana Tech Karate Team won four national championships. In 1989, with the death of Grandmaster Robert Trias, Dr. Jordan was notified during the finals of the World Karate Championships that Mrs. Robert Trias and her daughter, Roberta Jane, wanted to meet with Dr. Jordan in regards to the organization. At this time, they offered the directorship of United States Karate Association to Dr. Jordan. This is verified by a legal document sent to all regional directors on August 2, 1989 with the authorization to turn over all records and accounts of the United States Karate Association to Dr. Jordan. At this time it was felt that it was in the best interest of the organization to have two directors and Dr. Jordan became co-director of the United States Karate Alliance with Mr. James Hawkes. Dr. Jordan and Mr. James Hawkes began coordinating all activities for the organization including promoting the National Championships & Seminars, and the World Karate Championships.

In 1990, Dr. Jordan was inducted into the United States Karate Alliance Hall of Fame. Dr. Jordan continued coaching the Louisiana Tech Karate Team and opened the Olympic Karate Institute. The Tech Karate Team won six national championships during the 1990's. He was promoted to 8th Degree Black Belt in 1995 after which, at the 2002 National Awards Banquet during the USKA World Championships, Dr. Jordan was promoted to 9th degree black belt in front of his friends, peers, and students. During the USKA World Championships on August 7, 2015, Dr. Jordan was promoted by the higher ranks of the USKA, PKC, etc. to 10th Degree. His certificate contained signatures from multiple outstanding karate-ka including Mr. Glenn R. Keeney, Mr. Herb Johnson, Mr. Milt Calander, etc.

Dr. Jordan passed away at his ranch in Dublin, Texas on September 18, 2016. His legacy lives on through his students and those he has touched and influenced throughout the years. Dr. Jordan hand selected individuals as Chittim/Jordan Chief Instructors to continue forward with the Chittim/Jordan Lineage. It will be the responsibility of these individuals to preserve the style, teachings and standards for future generations. The Chittim/Jordan Chief Instructors are as follows: Joe Dupaquier 8th Degree, Buster Cotten 8th Degree, Rodney McPherson 8th Degree, Susan Watts 8th Degree, James Clark 7th Degree and John Pat Bullock 6th Degree.



2026 Louisiana State Championships

U.S. Karate Alliance Double Maximum Sanction

Sponsored By:

Louisiana Tech Karate Team/Cotten's Karate
Buster Cotten-Promoter/Director.

Date: **Saturday, October 24, 2026**

Register:

Pre-register by October 21st and be bracketed in kata in the bottom half of the eliminations. Registration: 7:30a.m. all day. Rules meetings: 10:30a.m.
Send pre-registration and make payment to Buster Cotten. 425 Sandy Acres Drive, Quinlan LA 71268

Location:

Louisiana Tech Lambricht Intramural Center—921 Tech Drive, Ruston LA 71272. (From I-20, take Tech Dr. South. In 1/4 mile take left on Bearcat Dr. Intramural parking will be on right.

Entry Fee:

\$65 for 1, 2 or 3 Preregistered Traditional Events—NO CHECKS, \$70 at the door. \$5 discount with USKA membership. NO REFUNDS. \$5 extra Entry fee at the door. Chanbara competition an additional \$10 or \$25 for only event.

Spectators:

Spectators: Adults-\$7.00 & Youth \$5.00 (under 6 years old –free)

Rules:

U.S. Karate Alliance tournament rules: No face contact (below adult brown belt), 2min/5 pts win for all sparring divisions. Required Equipment: Traditional uniforms (sleeves past elbows), Foam safety equipment—head hands, feet & mouthpiece, Groin protector—all males.

Trophies:

Beautiful custom awards will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th places. Medals awarded to all children kata competitors.

Times:

Division:
Awards Ceremony.....8:30pm
Chanbara9:00am
Black Belt (weapons & forms)..... 10:00am
Weapons (Tots, Youth, Teen, Kyu).....11:00am
Adult men & women brown belt (forms & sparring).....1st open ring
7 yrs & under (beg/int/adv—forms & sparring)..... 11:30am
Adult Kyu (Blue Belt & Up) (forms & sparring)..... 11:30am
8 & 9 yrs (beg/int/adv—forms & sparring).....12:00pm
10 & 11 yrs (beg/inter/adv - forms & sparring)..... 1:00pm
Adult men & women white & yellow belts—forms & sparring)..... 1:30pm
Adult men & women black belt forms & weapons (if no open rings).....1:30 pm
12 & 13 yrs (beg/int/adv—forms & sparring).....2:00pm
14 & 15 yrs (beg/int/adv—forms & sparring).....2:30pm
16 & 17 yrs (forms & sparring)2:30pm
Adult men & women black & brown belts sparring (if no open rings).....3:30pm
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***Bracketing (staging) will be 30 min prior to starting time.**

Information:

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Ruston Hotels:

Holiday Inn Express	Best Western	Courtyard Marriott
Super 8 Motel	Days Inn	Comfort Inn
Hampton Inn	Sleep Inn & Suites	Fairfield Inn

Men:

Sparring/Kumite Divisions
Black Belt Grand Champion
Black Belt (division 1)
Black Belt (division 2)
Kyu Men (Blue Belt & Up)
Novice Men

Women:

Young Men Advanced (16-17)
Young Men Beginning
Teen Men Int/Adv (14-15)
Teen Men Beginning
Junior Men Advanced (12-13)
Junior Men Intermediate
Junior Men Beginning
Youth Men Advanced (10-11)
Youth Men Intermediate
Youth Men Beginning
Dragons Boys Advanced (8-9)
Dragons Boys Intermediate
Dragons Boys Beginning

Women:

Black Belt
Kyu Women (Blue Belt & Up)
Novice Women
Young Women Adv (16-17)
Young Women Beg
Teen Women Advanced (14-15)
Teen Women Beginning
Junior Women Advanced (12-13)
Junior Women Beginning
Youth Women Advanced(10-11)
Youth Women Beginning
Dragons Girls Advanced (8-9)
Dragons Girls Beginning
Mini Mites m/f (5 and under)
Tiny Tigers Adv. (6-7)
Tiny Tigers Beg
Mini Mites m/f (5 and under)

Children (m/f):

Chanbara: (divisions per age group)

Adult (16 & over)
Teen (14-15)
Junior (12-13)
Youth (10-11)
Dragons (8-9)
Tiny Tigers (4 & 5) (6 & 7)
(No. of competitors limited per division)

Men:

Forms/Kata Divisions
Black Belt Grand Champ (M/F)
Black Belt (maybe split)
Kyu Men (Blue Belt & Up)
Novice Men

Women:

Black Belt
Kyu Women (Blue Belt & Up)
Novice Women
Children M/F:
Young Adult Adv. m/f (16-17)
Young Adult Beg. m/f (16-17)
Teen Int/Adv m/f (14-15) 1 div
Teen Beginning m/f
Junior Advanced m/f (12-13)
Junior Intermediate m/f
Junior Beginning m/f
Youth Advanced (10-11 M/F)
Youth Intermediate
Youth Beginning
Dragons Advanced (8-9 M/F)
Dragons Intermediate
Dragons Beginning
Tiny Tigers Adv. (6-7 M/F)
Tiny Tigers Beginning
Mini Mites m/f (5 under)

Weapons:

Black Belt Men
Black Belt Women
Kyu Division
Teen Division (14-17)
Youth Division (12-13)
Youth Division (10-11)
Dragons Division (9 & under)

Divisions may be split based on number of competitors

ALL PREREGISTERED
COMPETITORS WILL BE
BRACKETED IN THE BOTTOM
HALF IN WEAPONS AND FORMS
DIVISIONS.



In order to comply with new national ranking guidelines for events sanctioned by the U.S. Karate Alliance, a promoter must combine any sub-divisions with less than three (3) competitors. Purple belt may be placed in inter/adv. Division

All 1st – 4th place winners qualify for the 2027 USKA National Championships.

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LOUISIANA POINT AWARDS PRESENTATION

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October 24, 2026 LaTech Lambright Center – Ruston, LA

Official Tournament Registration Form

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Additional \$5 at the door Entry Fee. No checks or refunds. \$5 discount with U.S. Karate Alliance membership

Please indicate the divisions you wish to enter by circling the event.

Events: Chanbara: Sparring: Forms: Weapons:

Name: _____ Age: _____ M/F _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Rank: _____ Style: _____

Email: _____

Is this your first USKA karate tournament? Y / N

Instructor: _____ (Dojo) School: _____ Style: _____

Dojo
Email: _____

Please indicate LA State Point Award rankings. (You must pre-register by Wednesday, Oct 22nd in order to receive state awards):

For 2025 & 2026 Louisiana State Point standings, go to: www.uskaratealliance.com

LOUISIANA POINT AWARDS: weapons: _____ forms: _____ sparring: _____

In submitting said application, the undersigned hereby gives permission for the contestant to participate in said 2026 USKA Louisiana State Championships to be held at LaTech Lambright Center, Ruston, Louisiana on Oct 24, 2026. Acting for myself, or as the parent of legal guardian for the contestant, I do hereby assume all risk of injury to said contestant while participating in and traveling both to and from said 2026 USKA Louisiana State Championships acting for myself, my heirs, personal representatives and assigns, do hereby release the tournament promoters, United States Karate Alliance, and association, the officers, agents, employees and representatives of said organizations, United States Karate Alliance, Inc., Buster Cotten, RPAR, Buster Cotten's Karate, La. Tech University and any and all competitors and fellow participants, individually and collectively, from any liability (now and forever). As a parent or legal guardian, I agree to indemnify any such organization for any loss or expense by reason of any claim by child or ward.

Date: _____ Signature of Contestant or Guardian _____

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

☐ New Individual Membership

\$59

☐ Individual Membership Renewal

\$49

USKA Member Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Sex: M / F Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Instructor: _____

School: _____

Rank: _____ Year Started: _____ Style: _____

Applicants Signature

Check payable to: United States Karate Alliance, Inc. CreditCard: Visa MasterCard Discover

(Amex is not accepted at this time)

CC# _____ Expiration Date: _____ CVV: _____

Phone: _____ Zip Code: _____ Date: _____

Cardholder's Signature _____