

Welcome to WOT 2026



On behalf of The 2026 WOT Championships, we are pleased to welcome you to the great state of Arizona. We are inspired by the new wave at which Taekwondo is dynamically adapting. The development of Taekwondo is moving fast and we plan to keep up.

Most importantly, we hope that this event will play an integral role for the development of each Taekwondo practitioner. Through competition, students will build confidence, sportsmanship and the athletic skills necessary to compete at the AZ State Championships. WOT Championships will serve to be a season opening event for athletes preparing for State and National Championships, but most importantly a great grassroots level tournament experience for first time competitors.

We wish you success in displaying your abilities to the fullest. Through fair play, respect, and discipline, this will set course for your life's achievements. You are on the path to greatness both in sport and in life.

Best regards,

Master Johnny Nguyen
Tournament Director
NB Taekwondo & Fitness Center

General Information

January 31, 2026 WOT Championships

Doors open 9:30am

Tournament Venue: Basha High School 5990 S Val Vista Dr, Chandler, AZ 85249

REGISTER ONLINE www.wotchampionships.com

Early Bird Registration (Ends **Dec 7th** 11:59pm MT)

One Event \$90 - \$10 for Each Additional Event

Coaching Pass - \$30

Regular Registration (Ends **Dec 27th** 11:59pm MT)

One Event \$105 - \$10 for Each Additional Event

Coaching Pass - \$40

Late Registration (Ends **Jan 24th** 11:59pm MT)

One Event \$125 - \$10 for Each Additional Event

Coaching Pass - \$50

Final Registration Deadline by Jan 24th 11:59pm MT

NO AT THE DOOR REGISTRATION

Coaching Pass: All schools will receive one pass FREE - Additional Coaching passes must be purchased online before Jan 24th. Coaches must be certified Black Belt.

*Dojang Owner VIP pass will grant access to coaching privileges.

Spectator Admission: \$15.00 5 yrs old and up cash only – 4 yrs and under FREE

Times: Doors Open 9:30am | Detailed Schedule Pg. 7

Awards: Medals will be awarded to places 1st through 3rd place. Cash Scholarships awarded at opening ceremonies. For more information on Scholarship applications, contact wotchampionships@gmail.com

Events:

Sport Poomsae (Black Belts only Youth and Up) | Traditional Poomsae (All Belts including Black Belts) | Olympic Sparring | Jump Kix

Prerequisites

Coaching Education – Coaching certification is HIGHLY recommended. Coaches are expected to comprehensively understand the rules and regulations found here: [CLICK HERE](#)

All Coaches should attend Coaches Meeting before the start of sparring competition at Tournament Venue.

All registered coaches must be Black Belt Certified.

Competition Rules

All sparring athletes will be responsible for supplying their own headgear, gloves (optional), foot pads, arm and shin guards, mouth guards and all necessary taping. Gear requirements are found in the competition rules packet link above.

Weight Divisions & Competition Format

WOT Championships will not require an official weigh in. All athletes to be true to their weight upon registration. The Holding Area Manager may conduct random weigh-ins during the event and modify divisions accordingly.

Code of Conduct

- ✓ Good sportsmanship is expected from all players, coaches, officials, and spectators at every match and demonstrate a positive attitude and speak in a positive manner towards all.
- ✓ Respect the official's decisions and teach children the same.
- ✓ Treat coaches, players, officials, and spectators with respect.
- ✓ Control your temper and lead by example.
- ✓ Support efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from any sporting activities.
- ✓ The purpose of youth sports is to develop physical, mental and social skills.

Everyone present at any WOT Championship event are held to this Code of Conduct. Refusal to follow this code will result in dismissal from the event.

Events

Jump Kix

Students will be matched up by size and rank and will see who can kick the highest! The foot must make contact with the target in order to advance to the higher rounds. Join us for one of the most exciting events of the competition!



Traditional Poomsae

Traditional Bracket Format will be used for all Color Belts. Athletes will perform one recognized poomsae in accordance of their rank and will be scored in accordance with Power, Grace, Rhythm, and Energy Expression.

Black Belts will compete with the poomsae in accordance to their rank (EX: 1st Dan will perform Koryo, 2nd Dan will perform Keumgang)

Color Belt Division	Compulsory Poomsae
WHITE - YELLOW	Taeguk 1 or 2
ORANGE - GREEN	Taeguk 3 or 4
PURPLE - BLUE	Taeguk 5 or 6
BROWN - RED	Taeguk 7 or 8



OLYMPIC SPARRING

BLACK BELT OLYMPIC SPARRING

Youth, Cadet, Jr, Sr, Executive

Best of 3 rounds X 1 min | 30 sec break (1:30 sec rounds for finals)

Headshots allowed

Junior Safety Rules (Light contact to the head) for all divisions EXCEPT for World Class Black Belt

Divisions - Full Contact)

1 Protest Card per match

2026 NEW WT RULES APPLIED: 6 points for spinning head kicks



COLOR BELT OLYMPIC SPARRING

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Ages: 5 and under, 6-7yr, 8-9yr, 10-11yr,

Cadet 12-14yr, Junior 15-17yr, Senior 18-32, Executive 1 33+, Executive 2 50+

Ranks: BEGINNERS (White-Orange) | INTERMEDIATE (Green-Blue) | ADVANCED (Brown-Red)

Divisions may be combined at the tournament director's discretion)

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Sport Poomsae

Individual Sport Poomsae (Black Belts youth and up)

Rules are set forth by World Taekwondo. Please see rules on pg. 3 for more information
Black Belt Sport Poomsae will follow WT Cut-Off System. Prelim and Semis - 1 Poomsae |
Finals 2 Poomsaes | Designated Poomsae will be posted 1 week before competition date
on WOT 2026 Social Media.

Cash Prize Main Event

2 Special Guest Fighters will compete in the Main Event Fight Off at our Opening Ceremony. Fighter announcement Coming Soon.

Modified rules will be implemented**

- no penalties for unintentional falling
- no instep guards
- no gloves
- 10 sec kick clock
- 3 rounds of 60 seconds



Competition Schedule/Report Times (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Athletes arrive 15 minutes before Report Time. Failure to do so may lead to disqualification.

Schedule of Events

January 31, 2026 Saturday

9:30am | Doors Open - Athlete Credential Pick up and Admission

10:30am | Traditional Poomsae

11:15am | Jump Kix

11:30am | Sport Poomsae

12pm-12:30pm | Lunch Break

12:30pm-1pm | Opening Ceremony

1:30pm | Olympic Sparring

During the Olympic Sparring Competition, match numbers posted on the Tournament Projector Screen ONLY will be allowed in the holding area. *Athletes may use Gym Hallways to warm up or any other space outside the competition area. Keep an eye on match numbers and ears on match number announcements.

ORDER OF BLACK BELT DIVISIONS:

1. Senior and Ultra (Report to holding area after Opening Ceremony)
2. Youth
3. Cadet
4. Junior

ORDER OF COLOR BELT DIVISIONS

1. 18 yrs and up (Report to holding area after Opening Ceremony)
2. 7 yrs old and under
3. 8-11 yrs old
4. 12 -17 yrs old

Olympic Sparring Brackets

Olympic Sparring Brackets will be posted the morning of competition in Gym Foyer as well as the Holding Area.

(Take a picture of your bracket so you know what ring and which match you are.)

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