



## A Message to Kovar's Parents and Students

Dear Kovar's Families,

Although we haven't been given the green light by the County to conduct in-school training, we are actively planning for the day when we can offer your martial arts instruction not only online, but in our academies too! Please watch for an announcement regarding when we will resume in-person classes in our academies.

We want to thank you for your support during these past two months, as we all have had to alter our lives due to the pandemic. It has been inspiring to watch our students adapt to new circumstances and persevere in their martial arts journey! When we complied with Governor Newsom's in-shelter order and transitioned to online classes on March 16th, we immediately provided Kovar's DojoStream, followed quickly by live zoom classes and virtual private lessons. We have been gratified with the number of students who are taking classes taught by their academy's instructors.

We have spent the past several weeks preparing for the day when we can safely welcome all of you back to training in our academies. We have developed protocols so our students, parents and staff can train, view and teach martial arts in the safest environment possible. We are reconfiguring our schools to ensure we can provide proper social distancing and have consulted with experts around the country, in implementing the latest techniques for disinfecting our school's mats and surfaces to combat any viruses. We are also employing other safety procedures, such as increasing the number of hand-sanitizing stations in each of our nine academies.

Very soon, we will release a short video outlining the safety protocols to follow when entering our schools, taking classes and leaving our academies once class has concluded. Even when we begin training in our academies, we will continue offering online instruction. We will ensure students have access to all the classes necessary for achieving their next belt rank.

We think now more than ever, it's important to continue to stay mentally and physically strong. We commend you for making martial arts a priority for your family's continued health and well-being.

Sincerely,  
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