

***UNITED STATES KARATE ALLIANCE***

**2024**

# **LOUISIANA STATE KARATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**& STATE AWARDS CEREMONY**

***USKA DOUBLE MAXIMUM SANCTION  
2025 National Championship Qualifier***



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

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

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2024**

Pre-registration deadline October 23<sup>rd</sup>

Registration 7:30am

Awards Ceremony 8:30am

Chanbara 9am



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**[WWW.USKARATEALLIANCE.COM](http://WWW.USKARATEALLIANCE.COM)**



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

# 2024 Louisiana State Championships

## U.S. Karate Alliance Double Maximum Sanction

**Sponsored By:** Louisiana Tech Karate Team/Cotten's Karate  
Buster Cotten-Promoter/Director. Coordinator-Rodney McPherson

**Date:** **Saturday, October 26, 2024**

**Register:** Pre-register by October 23<sup>rd</sup> 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, Quitman 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, \$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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> places. Medals awarded to all children kata competitors.

**Times:** Division:  
Awards Ceremony.....8:30pm  
Chanbara .....9:00am  
Black Belt (weaons & forms).....10:00am  
Weapons (Tots, Youth, Teen, Kyu).....11:00am  
Adult men & women brown belt (forms & sparring).....1<sup>st</sup> 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 & 11yrs (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  
\*\*Bracketing (staging) will be 30 min prior to starting time.\*\*

**Information:** Buster Cotten Bacotten@hotmail.com

**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  
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

**Children (m/f):**  
Tiny Tigers Adv. (6-7)  
Tiny Tigers Beg  
Mini Mites m/f (5 and under)

**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)

\*\*\*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\*\*\*

**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.**



All 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> place winners qualify for the 2025 USKA National Championships in Albuquerque, New Mexico April 5-6, 2025.



**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 moving forward the Chittim/Jordan Lineage. It will be the responsibility of these individual's to preserve the style, teachings and standards for future generations. The Chittim/Jordan Chief Instructors are as follows: Joe Dupaqueir 8<sup>th</sup> Degree, Buster Cotten 7<sup>th</sup> Degree, Rodney McPherson 7<sup>th</sup> Degree, Susan Watts 7<sup>th</sup> Degree, James Clark 6<sup>th</sup> Degree and John Pat Bullock 5<sup>th</sup> Degree.



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LOUISIANA POINT AWARDS PRESENTATION

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October 26, 2024 LaTech Lambright Center – Ruston, LA

Official Tournament Registration Form

\$65 – 1, 2 or 3 Pre-registered Traditional Events. Chanbara \$10 (\$25 if only event entered)

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 23rd in order to receive state awards):

For 2023 & 2024 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 2024 USKA Louisiana State Championships to be held at LaTech Lambright Center, Ruston, Louisiana on Oct 26, 2024. 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 2024 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