



# Two Rivers Aikikai

An independent dojo

Continuity, Commitment, Curiosity, Courage, Caring, Community  
Nurturing Justice, Equity and Non-Violence, on and off the mat  
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## Kyu & Dan Test Dates for 2024

Kyu and dan tests take place 4 times each year in the dojo. There are no fees for kyu or dan tests at Two Rivers Aikikai. Kyu and dan test applications should be filled out prior to testing. Tests take place during class on the following Saturdays with alternate days available for those not able to be at Saturday classes:

**Saturday February 24, 2024**

**Saturday April 27, 2024**

**Saturday July 27, 2024**

**Saturday October 26, 2024**

You should allow at least two months of consistent practice during open mat time on techniques and ukemi for 5<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> kyu tests. You should plan for more time on higher level tests. In preparing for your kyu test, please review techniques and ukemi on all previous tests. For example, if you plan to test for 3<sup>rd</sup> kyu, you should review the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> kyu tests requirements in addition to the requirements for 3<sup>rd</sup> kyu. Instructors will make time during classes and open mat to help you and your test partner prepare for your test.

### For kyu tests, these are the minimum number of practice days needed:

Your practice days are listed on the attendance sheet.

25 classes from your start date to test for 6<sup>th</sup> kyu  
35 classes from your 6<sup>th</sup> kyu test to test for 5<sup>th</sup> kyu  
80 classes from your 5<sup>th</sup> kyu test to test for 4<sup>th</sup> kyu  
100 classes from your 4<sup>th</sup> kyu test to test for 3<sup>rd</sup> kyu  
200 classes from your 3<sup>rd</sup> kyu test to test for 2<sup>nd</sup> kyu  
300 classes from your 2<sup>nd</sup> kyu test to test for 1<sup>st</sup> kyu

### **For dan tests:**

Preparation for dan tests will need a minimum of 6 months of open mat practice.

Shodan: 350 practice days and a minimum of 1 year from your 1<sup>st</sup> kyu test  
Nidan: 600 practice days and a minimum of 2 years from your shodan test  
Sandán: 700 practice days and a minimum of 3 years from your nidán test  
Yondán: 800 practice days and a minimum of 4 years from your sandán test  
Godán: 1000 practice days and a minimum of 5 years from your yondán test