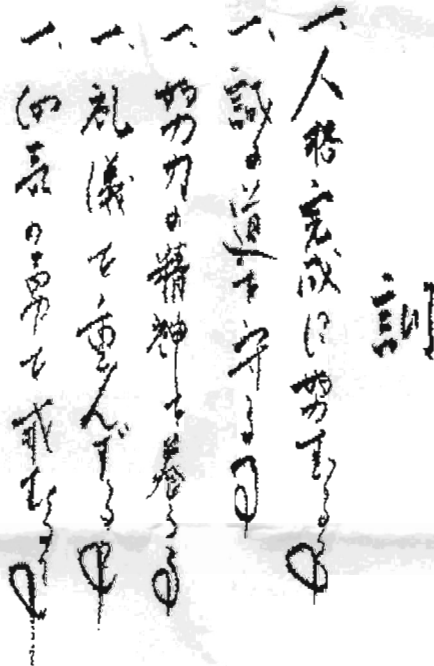


# Dojo Kun

The Dojo Kun is recited at the conclusion of every karate training, allowing the students to reflect upon the guiding principles of karate-do.

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Japanese translation:

Hitotsu! Jinkaku kansei ni tsutomuru koto!

Hitotsu! Makoto no michi o mamoru koto!

Hitotsu! Doryoku no seichin o yashinau koto!

Hitotsu! Reigi o omonzuru koto!

Hitotsu! Kekki no yu o imashimuru koto!

English translation:

**SEEK PERFECTION OF CHARACTER**

**BE FAITHFUL**

**ENDEAVOR**

**RESPECT OTHERS**

**REFRAIN FROM VIOLENT BEHAVIOR**

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DOJO-KUN

- 1. Seek Perfection of Character**  
*Hitotsu! Jinkaku kansei ni tsutomuru koto.*  
(To strive for the perfection of character)
- 2. Be Faithful**  
*Hitotsu! Makoto no michi o mamoru koto.*  
(To defend the paths of truth)
- 3. Endeavor**  
*Hitotsu! Doryoku no seishin o yashinau koto.*  
(To foster the spirit of effort)
- 4. Respect Others**  
*Hitotsu! Reigi o omonzuru koto.*  
(To honor the principles of etiquette)
- 5. Refrain from Violent Behavior**  
*Hitotsu! Kekki no yu o imashimuru koto.*  
(To guard against impetuous courage)

*Originally written by Gichin Funakoshi (1868-1957)*