# Bushido: The Samurai Code of Honor

## Character Development System

**Earn your Samurai stripes by showing your Bushido Character on & off the mats, in the dojo, at home & school.**



義
**GI**
Integrity

忠義
**CHU**
Duty & Loyalty

名誉
**MEIYO**
Honor

**The Seven Virtues of Bushido**

**The Way of the Warrior**

勇
**YU**
Courage

礼
**REI** Respect

仁
**JIN**
Compassion

真
**MAKOTO**
Honesty & Sincerity

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The Bushido Code is like an ancient instruction book.
Every Samurai follows it.  Bushido is their code of honor.
**To the Samurai, Honor is Everything.**

The Samurai code of honor is known as **Bushido**, and comes from the word **bushi**, which means "**warrior**."  The Japanese word **do** means "the way."  **So Bushido means, "the way of the warrior."**

## Gi – Integrity (RED)

- Be honest in your actions with all people. Believe in justice, not only from others but from yourself.

## REI – Respect (GREEN)

- True Warriors have no reason to be cruel.
- They do not need to prove their strength.
- Warriors are nice, even to their enemies.
- Warriors are not only respected for their strength in battle, but also in their actions with others.

## YU – Heroic Courage (YELLOW)

- To hide like a turtle in a shell is not living at all.
- A true warrior must have heroic courage.
- It could be risky, but that is living life completely & fully.

## MEIYO – Honor (PURPLE)

- Warriors have only ne judge of honor and character and this is themselves.
- Decisions they make and how these decisions are carried out is a reflection of whom they truly are.

## JIN – Compassion (ORANGE)

- Through intense training and hard work the true warrior becomes quick and strong.
- They are not most people. They develop a power that must be used for good.
- They have compassion. They help people at every opportunity.

## MAKOTO – Honesty & Sincerity (BLUE)

- When warriors say that they will perform an action, it is as good as done.
- Nothing will stop them from completing what they say they will do.
- They do not have to give their word because they have made a promise.

## CHUGI – Duty & Loyalty (BROWN)

- Warriors are for everything that have done and said, and all of the consequences that follow. They are loyal to all of those that are in their care.