

Titles used by AKKO Ranks

The AKKO titles are very special titles, which are not automatically assigned with rank or seniority. These titles are for People who has demonstrated major martial arts achievements. The holder of these titles must also have made significant contributions to the Martial arts community.

Senpai

Senpai(先輩) is used to address senior students referring to or addressing more senior students in the school,

Sensei

Sensei (先生) is used to refer to or address teachers, It is used to show respect to someone who has achieved a certain level of mastery in an art.

Shihan

Shihan (師範) is a term, used in title for expert or senior instructors.

Kyoshi

Kyōshi (教士 : きょうし) refers to an senior advanced teacher.

Hanshi

Hanshi (範士 : はんし) refers to a senior expert considered a "teacher of teachers." This title is used for the top few instructors ."