



## **What to Look For in a Good School**

### **Instructors**

Good instructors should be approachable, friendly and considerate. They are a part of what makes for a great martial arts experience, so you should feel comfortable asking questions or verifying information. Ask what their program's or school's governing body is. All information should be verifiable.

### **Attitude/Climate**

The feel of a school when you walk in should be positive and comforting. That's not to say that you won't be nervous, but the instructor should give you a reassuring feeling that he/she will push you positively toward your goals. A positive attitude travels from the instructors to the students and the school. You should feel welcomed and encouraged into the school that is right for you.

### **Students**

Class size should always be manageable for the instructors, so note how many students and instructors or assistants are in each class. Each student should have the time with the instructor that they need to get the most from their training. Note how many intermediate and advanced students there are in the school. Qualified, good instruction and positive attitude is reflected in the number of students who have continued to practice.

### **Schedule/Tuition**

Make sure the program the school offers has flexible class schedule and tuition that fits your needs. The most thing is that you feel that the time and resource you invest can return back to you in priceless value.