

2026 CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The **2026 UMKS Midwest Martial Arts Invitational** features four prestigious championship titles that recognize outstanding achievement across traditional Mirae Mu Sul competition, open competition, and overall tournament excellence. Each championship has its own eligibility requirements and qualification process, which are outlined in the following sections.

Championship Categories

The following championship titles will be awarded:

- **Mirae Grand Champion**
- **Open Grand Champion**
- **Tournament Champion (Champion of Champions)**
- **Traditional Guhm Moo Hyung Champion (*Cash Prizes Awarded*)**

Championship Medal Point System

Championship titles determined by cumulative performance will use the following medal point system:

1st Place = 6 points

2nd Place = 4 points

3rd Place = 2 points

4th Place = 1 point

Championship Tie-Breaking Procedure

If two or more competitors finish with the same championship point total, the following tie-breaking procedures will be used in order:

1. The competitor with the **greatest number of 1st Place medals** will be declared the Champion.
2. If still tied, the competitor with the **greatest number of 2nd Place medals** will be declared the Champion.
3. If still tied, the competitor with the **greatest number of 3rd Place medals** will be declared the Champion.
4. If still tied, the competitor with the **greatest number of 4th Place medals** will be declared the Champion.
5. If a tie still remains after comparing all medal counts, the **Tournament Arbitrators** will select a form for each tied competitor to perform.
6. Upon completion of both performances, a **Senior Panel of Judges** will determine the Champion by a **show of hands**.

Mirae Grand Champion Requirements

The **Mirae Grand Champion** recognizes excellence in both **traditional Mirae Mu Sul curriculum** and **overall martial arts performance**, rewarding competitors who demonstrate exceptional skill across the complete spectrum of required events. This prestigious title honors the highest-performing UMKS Black Belt competitor in each eligible rank division.

Eligibility

- Competitors must hold the rank of **Black Belt**.
- Competitors must be an active member of a **UMKS-affiliated dojang**.
- The **Mirae Grand Champion** will be determined by the competitor who earns the **highest overall medal point total**, based on the tournament point system outlined above.
- Competitors must register for and compete in **all required events** for their respective rank division to be eligible.

Required Events

The following events are required for all eligible Mirae Grand Champion divisions:

1st Dahn Mirae Events	2nd Dahn Mirae Events	3rd & 4th Dahn (Combined) Mirae Events
• Mirae Forms • Mirae Techniques • Mirae Staff • Mirae Sword	• Mirae Forms • Mirae Techniques • Mirae Staff • Mirae Sword	• Mirae Forms • Mirae Techniques • Mirae Staff • Mirae Sword
Open Events	Open Events	Open Events
• Fight Choreography / Self-Defense Routine • Breaking • Point Sparring	• Fight Choreography / Self-Defense Routine • Breaking • Point Sparring	• Fight Choreography / Self-Defense Routine • Breaking • Point Sparring

Determining the Champion

The competitor with the **highest cumulative medal point total** within each eligible rank division will be crowned the **Mirae Grand Champion**.

Note: Competitors who are also competing for the **Open Grand Champion** title will compete **only once** in the following shared events:

- Fight Choreography / Self-Defense Routine
- Breaking
- Point Sparring (until eliminated from the competition bracket)

The results from these events will be applied toward both the **Mirae Grand Champion** and **Open Grand Champion** point totals.

Open Grand Champion Requirements

- Open to competitors from **all participating schools and martial arts styles**.
- Competitors must hold the rank of **Black Belt** to be eligible.
- The **Open Grand Champion** will be determined by the competitor who earns the **highest overall medal point total** based on the tournament point system outlined above.
- To be eligible, competitors must register for **all five Open Event categories**:
 - Fight Choreography / Self-Defense Routine
 - Breaking
 - Point Sparring
 - Empty Hand Forms
 - Weapons Forms
- The competitor with the highest cumulative point total across these events will be crowned the **Open Grand Champion**.

Note: Competitors who are participating in both the **Mirae Grand Champion** and **Open Grand Champion** divisions will compete **only once** in the following shared events:

- Fight Choreography / Self-Defense Routine
- Breaking
- Point Sparring (until eliminated from the competition bracket)

The results from these events will be applied to **both** the Mirae Grand Champion and Open Grand Champion point totals. Competitors will perform separate routines only for the events unique to each championship (such as Mirae Forms/Techniques versus Open Empty Hand Forms and Weapons Forms).

Tournament Champion (Champion of Champions)

The **Tournament Champion (Champion of Champions)** represents the **highest individual honor awarded at the tournament**. This prestigious finals competition brings together the top **Mirae Grand Champions** and **Open Grand Champions** to determine the overall **Champion of Champions**.

Eligibility

- Competitors who are crowned either **Mirae Grand Champion** or **Open Grand Champion** in their respective **age group and rank division** will qualify for the **Tournament Champion (Champion of Champions)** Finals.
- Qualified competitors will be notified of their advancement prior to the conclusion of the regular competition.

Finals Competition

- The Tournament Champion Finals will take place following the completion of all regularly scheduled events.
- Competitors may perform **one form of their choice**, either an **empty hand form** or a **weapons form**.
- All finalists will be evaluated by a **Senior Panel of Judges**, who will determine the overall **Tournament Champion** based on the quality of each performance.

Tournament Champion

The winner will be crowned the **UMKS Tournament Champion (Champion of Champions)**, recognizing them as the tournament's highest overall individual performer.

Traditional Guhm Moo Hyung Requirements

- Competitors must be **an advanced student** and have been **formally trained in Traditional Guhm Moo Hyung** to be eligible.
- Registration in the **Traditional Guhm Moo Hyung à la carte division** is required. Scores from **Mirae Hyung** and **Open Hyung** competitions do **not** count toward this event, as they are judged separately.
- During the preliminary round, competitors will perform during their regularly scheduled division. The **1st Place winner from each preliminary group** will advance to the Finals.
- The Finals will take place after the conclusion of the regular competition and will be judged by a **Senior Panel of Judges**.
- **Cash prizes** will be awarded to the **1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Place** finishers.

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