

“In the pursuit of learning, every day something is ‘quired.
In the pursuit of Tao, every day something is dropped.”
– *Lao Tzu*

Se-Jong Tae Kwon Do Ranking System Color Significance and Associated Pattern:

10 th Grade Pattern	White Belt: Innocence, New Beginning Chon-Ji: “Heaven and Earth.”
9 th Grade Pattern	White Belt Gold Stripe: Glimmer of Knowledge. Dan-Gun: Legendary founder of Korea (2333 B.C.)
8 th Grade Pattern	Gold Belt: Sunrise of Knowledge Do-San: Independence leader Ahn Ch'ang-Ho
7 th Grade Pattern	Gold Belt with Green Stripe: Hint of Maturity Won-Hyo: Monk who introduced Buddhism to Korea (686 A.D.)
6 th Grade Pattern	Green Belt: Maturity in the Art Yul-Gok: Confucius of Korea, Yi I
5 th Grade Pattern	Green Belt with Blue Stripe: First Awareness of Ideals Joong-Gun: Assassinated first Japanese Governor General of Korea
4 th Grade Pattern	Blue Belt: Understanding of Ideals Toi-Gye: Neo-Confucianist Yi Hwang
3 rd Grade Pattern	Blue Belt with Red Stripe: First Hint of Danger Hwa-Rang: Silla Dynasty youth group
2 nd Grade Pattern	Red Belt: Awareness of Danger to Self Choong-Moo: Invented Kobukson (submarine-like ship)
1 st Grade Pattern	Red Belt with Black Stripe: Candidate for Black Belt Po-Eun: Famous nationalist Chong Mong-Chu

“Those who know are not learned. The learned do not know.”
– *Lao Tzu*