

I thought I would write a testimonial of how your school, Kelowna Martial Arts, has had an impact on our lives. Both of my daughters, Amy and Sarah Emmons, have now started their third year in martial arts and the difference it's made in their lives is quite noticeable.

My original thought was that I wanted them to be able to defend themselves given the state of the world today. I had told them that they would be required to only go through to their Blue Belts.

So what have we received from Kelowna Martial Arts in return? Both the girls have progressed to their Red stripe and plan to go through to their Black Belts. They have been invited to belong to the Black Belt Club. They have met some amazing people who are also participants of the Kelowna Martial Arts group. They have developed friendships with some of those students.

Both my wife and I have commented on the change in the girls since joining. Their confidence level has gone way up. Their discipline and responsibility levels have remarkably improved. Amy has even made the jump to attending a Ladies Sparring Session. Doesn't sound like a big jump??? It was huge in her world.

I agree that there are many clubs in Kelowna that offer martial arts. Some of those clubs may even offer some of the "extra" activities. However make no mistake. There is only ONE Kelowna Martial Arts. The job that Master Dan and Mr. Chris Rowe do there can not be repeated by any other club. Please do not change your methodology, your kindness, and the respect that you give to your students.

Yours in friendship
Ken Emmons & Lana Ko