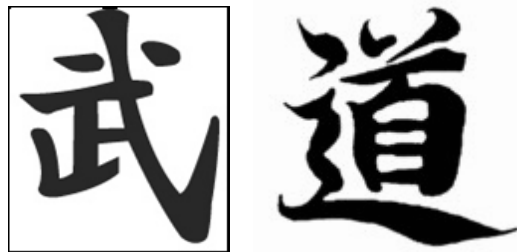




## Green Belt General Knowledge

“Moo Do”



The Chinese character Moo consists of Guh and Ji . Guh means "spear, attack, or conflict, and Ji means "to stop". Thus, Moo together means "to stop or prevent conflict".

Do means way or a philosophy.

Together the terms are used to describe a martial artist. When one thinks of an ideal practitioner, they are often described as Moo Do-someone who embodies this philosophy no matter where they go (inside or outside of the dojang).

## Founder and History of Tang Soo Do

The Founder, Kwan Jang Nim Hwang Kee was born on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1914. Tang Soo Do , Soo Bahk Do™, Moo Duk Kwan was founded on November 9<sup>th</sup> , 1945 in Seoul Korea. The Founder, Kwan Jang Nim Hwang Kee was able to establish the art shortly after the Japanese occupation ended at the end of WWII.

The Art made its way over the America during the 1960 and 1970's as many military men returned to the United States. In 1976 the Founder Hwang Kee established the United States Tang Soo Do Moo Duk Kwan Federation.

The Founder, Kwan Kee died July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2002. While his organization still prospers, there are many Tang Soo Do organization and instructors that continue his teaching today.