

Beverly Hills Judo Team Wins at U.S. Judo Winter Nationals

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The Beverly Hills Judo team, Dynamo Sports Club, took home gold medals in the United States Judo Association Winter Nationals this December. Seven of the students who participated in the competition won medals: three gold medals, two silver medals, and two bronze medals. The team is part of the City of Beverly Hills Parks and Recreation program. Sensei/Coach Justin Brezhnev (Beverly Hills High School Alumni Class of 2010) and runs the Dynamo Sports Club, stated that the team placed 16 out of 102 clubs that participated.

The national tournament takes place every December at Azusa Pacific University and is sponsored by the United States Judo Federation (USJF). The USJF is the oldest U.S. National organization of judo and is a non-profit educational corporation dedicated to the teaching and promotion of judo in the United States. Competitors who participate come from all over the world

including Europe, Asia, and South America. The competition began with youth 5-12 years old, followed by competitions for Juniors, Seniors and Masters.

“It was an honor to be coaching alongside my father Sensei Boris Brezhnev in this judo tournament. I am proud to see so many of our students in the youth division make their first steps onto the competition tatami this year,” said Sensei Brezhnev.

Dynamo Sports Club of Beverly Hills was founded in 2006 by Boris Brezhnev as an outlet for students of Beverly Hills High School to pursue martial arts in an after-school program. Today it has grown into an internationally recognized organization for youth and adults that creates martial arts curriculum for individuals looking for self defense or sports competition classes. For more information about the Dynamo Sports Club, visit www.dynamoclub.com ●



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