

9th ANNUAL January WEST JORDAN SCHOLASTIC OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT: January 28th, 2017

All chess players in grades K through 12 are invited.***(This is a preregistration only event)***

Register by emailing each player's name, grade, school, section, and USCF rating [A rating is not necessary to play in this tournament.] to: duncanchess@msn.com. **Players wishing to play up** may not be included in a team score, and may not win a first place grade trophy (but can win a "3 and above score" trophy). Request 1/2 point byes when you register. Byes requested at the tournament will be for 0 points. Email questions to: duncanchess@msn.com Please write "chess" in the subject line, so that I know it isn't spam. Thanks. Call Doug at (801) 347-2401 if you have any questions.

If you do not get a confirmation email within 24 hours, then call or text. To contact me on Saturday, call or text 801-347-2401. I will not have email access on Saturday. **To withdraw: text your name, grade and team.**

Entry fee: Pay \$10.00 at the door. Make checks payable to West Jordan High school.

Pre-registration: You must be pre-registered by Friday, January 27th, 7pm. Communicate with me by phone or text after 7pm Friday. NO ON SITE REGISTRATIONS. Pay when you arrive.

A 5 round Swiss system chess tournament. **USCF membership is NOT required for any sections.** No eliminations. All players will play 5 games. USCF ratings will be used for pairing purposes only. Games= 30 minutes per player (sudden death) **G30 d/O**. Pairing players from the same school and/or club will be avoided where possible (except in the last round to determine a clear winner). Tie break order: Modified Median, Solkoff, Cumulative, and Cumulative of Opposition. Clocks will be used on a game if a player has a clock and wishes to use it. **Sets will be provided for the tournament games only.** Any player not arriving for round 1 will be withdrawn from the tournament. Substitutions on a team are OK.

If you sign-up for this tournament and find that you cannot attend, please, call/text, 801-347-2401, to have your name removed. This will allow everyone to have an opponent in round one. The first round pairings are printed Friday night.

Individual prizes: **1 trophy will be awarded for every two players. All players scoring 3 and above will receive a trophy.** (categories below are guaranteed. The remaining trophies will be awarded to the top players in each grade proportionally to the number of students in each grade). Medals will be awarded to those who do not win a trophy. First place and team trophies will be **larger** than last year.

Sections:

High School* 1st place trophies to grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.

Jr. High\Middle School* 1st place trophies to grades 6, 7, 8, and 9.

Elementary K-3** 1st place trophies to grades K, 1, 2, and 3.

Elementary 4-6** 1st place trophies to grades 4, 5, and 6.

* If low entry, sections may be combined. **If high entry, sections may be divided into K-2, 3&4, 5&6.

The top two teams in the High School and Jr. High\Middle school categories will receive trophies. The top 8 teams in grades K-6 will receive trophies. Each team will consist of the top 4 players from the school. Each player will represent the school they attend, unless they are playing up.

Place: West Jordan High School commons area, 8136 South 2700 West, West Jordan, Utah, 84088. Take the 7200 South street exit (exit #297) off of I-15. Go west (away from the mountains) on 7200 South to 2700 West (2.9 miles). Turn left. Go to 8136 South (1.4 Miles). Park in the parking lot. Please enter from the east side of the building under the large silver "West Jordan Jaguars" sign NEAR THE FLAG POLES. The **TRAX** 2700 W Sugar Factory Road stop is within walking distance of the school.

Schedule: **Saturday, January 28th, 2017.**

Check in: **Pairings will be posted at 8:00 am.**

All players: Please check in **by** 8:00am. Be at your table ready to play at 8:30 am. Round 1 will start at 8:30 am. The earlier start will mean ending sooner.

All players who do not have opponents in the first round **may** be re-paired.

Rounds will begin as soon as the current round finishes and is paired. (1:15 maximum)

Awards will be made as soon as the results are known (about 2:00 pm). There will not be an official lunch break. Pizza and/or other food **will be** available on site. **Chess sets and clocks will be for sale.** When is the next tournament? Go to <http://www.utahchess.com> .