

UTAH STATE *High School* CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

ECKER HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

2465 KILBY RD, PARK CITY, UT 84098

MARCH 3 & 4, 2017



This tournament is for students schooled in Utah in grades 6-9. 9th grade students may choose to play in either the High School or Junior High tournament. This tournament will have two sections this year.

CHAMPIONSHIP SECTION:

The overall winner of this section will be the 2017 High State Champion. The winner also qualifies as the Utah rep to the Denker tournament, subject to qualification. In the event of a tie, there will be a Denker tiebreak. Details to be available at the tournament.

This section is open to all players in grades 9-12.
5-Round Swiss. Time control is G/90 d/5 all rounds.
Schedule: Friday, 3/3: 4:00pm and 7:30pm, Saturday, 3/4: 8:30am, 12:00 noon, and 3:30pm.

JUNIOR VARSITY SECTION:

This section for players with a US Chess rating under 1200 or who don't have a US Chess rating. This section is for players who prefer a Saturday only event, quicker games and/or do not wish to compete in the Championship Section.

6-round Swiss (no eliminations, you play all six rounds). Time control is G/30 d/5 all rounds.

Schedule: Saturday 3/4 only (no games on Friday). The first round is at 9:30am and the remaining five rounds will follow ASAP.

PRIZES

Individual: 1st and 2nd place overall and grade level trophies will be awarded separately in each section. Participation prizes will be awarded to all other players.

Team: Trophies will be awarded to the top 10 teams. Each team will consist of up to the top four players from each school. Both sections will be combined to determine the top four players for team scores. Additional weight will be given for playing in the Championship Section. Each player will represent the school they attend. If a student is home schooled or attends a charter/private school, they may choose to represent the public school in whose boundaries they reside. There will be no additional cost to play as a team. Schools with 2 or more players will be considered a team.

ENTRY

Entry Fee: Registration link available at utahchess.com. If you need to send an entry via snail mail, please send it to David Day, 9831 Congressional Way, South Jordan, UT 84095. Mailed entries need to include name, address, grade, date of birth, gender, school, and US Chess ID number (if any).

\$15.00 Pre-Registration (Registration must be received by March 2, 2017)

\$25.00 Late/On-site Registration. Players wishing to register onsite should arrive at least 30 minutes before the round starts. Players arriving after that time should expect to receive a bye (but may be paired at the TD's discretion).

RULES & BYES

Rules: This is a US Chess Federation tournament and uses US Chess Federation rules except as otherwise announced. Team pairings will be avoided during rounds 1-4.

Byes: Half-point byes – Up to two half-point byes may be taken but must be requested before the first round. Bye requests cannot be changed once the tournament begins.

If you sign-up for this tournament and find that you cannot attend, please e-mail to have your name removed. If you need to withdraw or skip a round, please provide timely notice.

BLITZ TOURNAMENT

To be held Saturday night once the main tournament is over. One section for all players. Expected start time approximately 6 p.m. Blitz tournament may be interrupted for main tournament awards ceremony. \$5 entry fee for Blitz tournament (paid on-site). 5 double rounds (each round you play 2 games, one each with white and black). Separate trophies will be awarded to players with good scores, based on participation.

US CHESS

US Chess Memberships: This is a US Chess Federation tournament. Players who are currently or have ever been members of US Chess need to provide their membership number so that a duplicate player is not created. Membership numbers and other information is available at uschess.org. Any player who does not have a current US Chess membership for the event will be given a 1 year membership as part of their registration fee.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



Coaches and Parents Meeting:

There will be a parents and coaches meeting.



Food:

Concessions will be available. Proceeds will benefit chess clubs in Togo.



Questions:

Please e-mail questions to utchess@gmail.com.