2017 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CHESS TOURNAMENT

Hosted by Seattle Preparatory School

Date: Saturday, November 4

Location: Seattle Preparatory School

2400 11th Ave E. Seattle, WA 98102

Eligibility

Any student (K-8) who is enrolled in a Catholic school, who is a parishioner at a Western Washington parish, or who is a child of a Catholic school employee.

Sections*

Novice: Those new to chess tournaments

Reserve: Players rated under 900, or unrated newcomers who are ready for

tournament play

Open: Players rated 900 and over, or anyone seeking an extra challenge

*Sections are subject to change, based on registrations, and will be divided by grade, e.g., K-5 and 6-8.

Format

Novice: 5-round, Swiss-system tournament. Games will be limited to one hour. Clocks will only be used if both players request it. Touch move will be encouraged but not required.

Reserve: 5-round, Swiss-system, game/30. Notation suggested for K-5; required for 6-8. Touch move required for both K-5 and 6-8.

Open: 4-round, Swiss-system, game/45. Notation and touch move required.

Note for newcomers: In standard chess tournaments (like this), no one is eliminated from competition. Everyone will be eligible to play every round!

Registration

Register online by Friday, November 3, at 6:00pm.

https://form.jotform.com/72755552390158

Schedule

8:30	Check-in begins
9:30	Check-in ends, open section begins, info session for all others
10:00	Round 1 begins, all other sections
12:00	Break (teams responsible for own lunches; Pagliacci Pizza is nearby)
4:00	Tournament clean-up
4:30	Awards ceremony

Entry Fee

Full day: \$15 per student

Half day (morning only): \$10 per student

Fee is payable at the door or by mail (see below). Check or cash only.

Awards

Trophies for top finishers plus participation awards for all competitors. Team trophies will be awarded, based on the sum of the top finishers from a school.

Supplies

Bring sets and boards, as well as clocks and pencils for non-novices. Seattle Prep has some equipment but it could run out.

Tournament Directors

Taylor Larson and David Ellinger, with support from the Seattle Prep Chess Team and community

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Note from the organizer: Our purpose is to give something of a jump start to Catholic School chess clubs, to encourage kids, parents, and advisers to "take the plunge" into competitive chess tournaments. Please consider this tournament, even if you (or your students) have not played tournament chess. Just make sure new competitors know the rules of chess, and they'll be prepared to participate.