

2016 Ohio Elementary Chess Championship

March 19, 2016

Hilton Garden Inn, 700 Beta Drive, Cleveland, Ohio 44143

Championship K-6

Rounds 1-4 G/30;d5 Round 5 G/45;d5

Primary Championship K-3

Rounds 1-4 G/30;d5 Round 5 G/45;d5

Premier K-6 (U-700)

All 5 Rounds G/30;d5

Upper Elementary Reserve (4-6 U-300)

All 5 Rounds G/30;d5

Primary Reserve (K-3 U-300)

All 5 Rounds G/30;d5

Individual Competition

Any student enrolled in an Ohio school, or home schooled in Ohio in grades K-6 is eligible to participate. A current USCF membership is required to play in all sections except Primary Championship and Primary Reserve. Participants may request one half point bye only for any round except round 5. Byes must be requested before the start of round 2. **Unrated players may play in any section, but it is usually advisable to choose the reserve (lower rated) sections.**

USCF Memberships

All Sections are USCF rated! Both K-3 sections will be USCF rated as part of the USCF Junior Tournament Player program, but **do not** require a USCF membership, similar to the K-3 sections at the Ohio Grade Level. Progress with Chess will purchase a free USCF membership for players entering the Championship, Premier (K-6 U700) and Upper Reserve (4-6 U300/Unrated) sections who are joining USCF for the first time.

Team Competition

Two or more players enrolled in the same school in the same section will be eligible for a team prize. Team scores will be calculated by adding the points accumulated by its three top scoring players in the section.

Awards

Trophies will be awarded for all players scoring 3.5 and higher. Team trophies will be given to the top 5 teams in each section. A \$100 scholarship from the Ohio Scholastic Chess Association will be awarded to the top finisher in the Championship section. All participants will receive medals.

Format

5 Round Swiss System Individual/Team all sections. Pairings and announcements will begin at 9:45. Round one will start promptly at 10:00 with following rounds occurring with a reasonable amount of time between rounds. **OSCA guidelines will be followed for this event. Recording of moves is required only in the Championship Sections.**

Equipment

Boards and Sets will be provided. Clocks will be used at the start of games if provided by either player. Many games will start without clocks. The tournament director may place a clock on a game in progress to insure timely completion.

Entry Fees

\$30 if received by March 13th, \$40 after. No on site registrations accepted. Low income students may qualify for a limited number of reduced entry fees. Please call 216-321-7000 to apply.

Food and Lodging

Room rate: \$109 up to 4 per room, must reserve by March 12, 440-646-1777. Swimming pool, business center, fitness center, full service restaurant and concession on site, fast food, grocery stores nearby.

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