2020 Ohio All-Girls Chess Championships

Hosted by The Columbus Chess Academy
at
Fort Hayes High School
546 Jack Gibbs Blvd, Columbus, OH 43215
March 28th, 2020

- Championship K-12 USCF Rated 4 rounds G/45; d5
- K-12 U-1000 USCF Rated 5 rounds G/30; d5
- K-12 U-600 USCF Rated 5 rounds G/30; d5
- K-3 U-400 Non-Rated 5 rounds G/30; d5

Individual Competition
Any female student enrolled in an Ohio school, or home schooled in Ohio, in grades K-12 will be eligible to participate. Players with more than 10 rated games are not eligible for the non-rated sections. Current USCF membership is required to play in the rated sections. Players in the rated sections must be registered with [http://www.uschess.org](http://www.uschess.org) before the tournament. The March rating supplement will be used for pairing purposes. In the non-rated sections, notation is not required. Notation is required in the rated sections, though notation is optional for grade K-3 players, but a player may lose the right to make claims requiring a score sheet. Players in the rated sections are required to use a clock if either player provides one. In the non-rated section, players may use a clock if one player provides one and both players agree. In all sections, clocks will be used if games approach the time limit. Students in the rated sections are encouraged to bring their own clocks. Boards and pieces will be provided. Each player will play every round unless a bye is requested. Participants may request a half point bye for one round only, excluding the fifth round. Byes must be requested before the start of round 2.

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 3 teams in each section. Medals for all participants.

Check-in
Check-in is from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM. No section changes after 9:30 AM and no on-site entries.

Format
5 Round Swiss System Individual/Team all sections except for the Championship section; 4 Round Swiss System Individual/Team in this section. Pairings and announcements will begin at 9:45 AM. Round one will start promptly at 10:00 AM with following rounds occurring with a reasonable amount of time between rounds. All rounds will be Game/30; d5, except for the Championship Section which will be Game/45; d5.

Entry Fees
$35 before March 20th, $40 thereafter. Last day to register is March 27th, 6 PM. Low income students may qualify for a limited number of reduced entry fees (see OSCA Event Guidelines at www.ohioscholasticchess.org). For reduced entry fees, please call or email the tournament organizer, Katherine Lin. No on-site registrations accepted. Registration is online at http://columbuschessacademy.org (no mail-in registrations). Payment can be submitted online or checks can be mailed to:
Columbus Chess Academy
 c/o Katherine Lin
 654 Binns Blvd
  Columbus, OH 43204

Please make checks out to The Columbus Chess Academy.

Event Guidelines
OSCA guidelines will be followed in this event. Visit the OSCA site: www.ohioscholasticchess.org to read the entire guidelines.

Directions
Fort Hayes is located at 546 Jack Gibbs Blvd, Columbus, OH 43215. The tournament will be located in the cafeteria. A detail map will be provided.

Food and Lodging
Affordable on-site food concession. Fast food restaurants and grocery stores nearby. Many hotels in the area.

Contact
Katherine Lin at 614-746-7682 or info@columbuschessacademy.org