2023 GATEWAY CLASS TOURNAMENT



Saturday, November 11, 2023

Lucas Crossing Elementary 7837 Natural Bridge Rd., Saint Louis, MO 63121

- **REGISTRATION**: Tournament registration will be from 8:00 am to 8:30 am. Advanced registration is recommended. For advanced registration visit www.gatewaychess.org and follow the instructions. The deadline for advanced registration is **6:00 pm, Friday, November 10**.
- **ELIGIBILITY**: All students in Kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) are eligible.
- FORMAT: The tournament will be played in 4 ROUNDS. Each school may enter any number of players.
 - o **SECTIONS**: <u>Board 1</u> (Players Rated 1000+), <u>Board 2</u> (Players rated between 800-999), <u>Board 3</u> (Players rated between 600 to 799), and <u>Board 4</u> (Players rated under 600).
 - o **DIVISIONS (FOR TEAMS)**: High School, Ninth Grade and Under, Eighth Grade and Under, Sixth Grade and Under, Fifth Grade and Under, and Third Grade and Under
 - o **ROUND TIMES**: 9:30, 12:00, 2:30, and 5:00. *Final round will start earlier if possible.*
 - o **TIME CONTROL**: Game in 60m + 5s time delay
- AWARDS: Awards presentation will begin at 7:30 pm. No awards will be presented before this time.
 - o Four (4) school trophies will be awarded in the High School division. Two (2) school trophies will be awarded in each of the other divisions. (Minimum of two players constitutes a team.)
 - School score is the sum of the four highest player scores, regardless of board.
 - o Eight (8) individual trophies will be awarded per board.
- **ENTRY FEE**: The entry fee is **\$15.00** per player. A late fee of \$10.00 will be assessed for players who begin registration after 8:30 am. Players who begin registration after 9:00 am will not be paired in round one. Payment may be made by cash, check, or credit card.
- **MEMBERSHIP**: United States Chess Federation membership is required for tournament participation. Players must either show proof of current membership or purchase at the tournament. The cost is \$13.00 and up.
- **RATINGS**: The current month United States Chess Federation rating supplement will be used for pairings. Players without a rating will be paired as unrated. (Local ratings no longer assigned.)
- **TIE BREAKERS**: Ties will be broken using Modified Median, Solkoff, Cumulative, and Cumulative Opp. for individual trophies and using Solkoff, Cumulative, Cumulative Opp., and Median for team trophies.
- **EQUIPMENT**: Players are responsible for providing sets, boards, and clocks. A limited number of clocks will be available for checkout. Chess equipment may be on sale during the tournament.
- **SPONSORS**: Each school must have either a sponsor or parent present. There will be a sponsors and parents meeting approximately fifteen minutes after the start of round one.
- **TOURNAMENT COORDINATORS**: The tournament director is Thomas Rehmeier. The tournament organizer is Sam Kassis. For further information please call Sam Kassis at 314-496-2266 or visit www.gatewaychess.org.