




2010 Virginia State Scholastic & Collegiate Chess & Blitz Chess Championships

Friday Night, Saturday and Sunday, March 12th - 14th

<p>Where</p>	<p>Campus of Virginia Tech, Squires Student Center, Blacksburg, VA</p>
<p>Tournament Format and Player Eligibility</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TWO TOURNAMENTS !!</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> State Scholastic Blitz Championships: Friday night, March 12th. Five (5) Rounds, with play in 3 Sections (K-5, K-12, and College). Time control is Game-in-5, each player plays 2 games against the same opponent. The K-5 Section will use USCF Scholastic Blitz Rules (http://www.uschess.org/tournaments/common/2009K12-BlitzRules.pdf), the K-12 and College Sections will use normal Blitz Rules. See below for awards. Register by 6PM. Round 1 at 6:30PM. Open to any Scholastic or Collegiate Player, YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A VIRGINIA RESIDENT TO PLAY. Blitz players must have a chess clock to play. Main Event—State Scholastic Chess Championships: Saturday and Sunday, March 13th and 14th. Five (5) Sections--K-3, K-5, K-8, K-12 and Collegiate. Six (6) Rounds of chess. Players can “play up” into a higher section. Scholastic players must be attending a public, private or home school in VA. Collegiate Section players must be enrolled in a VA college or university, or be a Virginia Resident attending college elsewhere. Titled GM or IM collegiate players cannot be more than 25 years old as of September 1, 2009.
<p>Registration</p> 	<p>Advance Registration: Opens Jan 18th at www.vachess.org. Advance entry is \$10 for Blitz and \$30 for the Main Event. Mail Your Payment to the address on the next page, or pay it at the Registration Desk on FRIDAY evening, March 12th.</p> <p>If you prefer to register by US Mail, see the next page of this flyer.</p> <p>Late Registration: On-site only at Virginia Tech (Squires Student Center) Friday March 12th from 3-9PM. Late Entry Fee for Blitz is \$15, and \$40 for the Main Event. Blitz Registration closes at 6PM sharp! No Main Event registrations after 9PM Friday evening. Entries will not be accepted by phone or email.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Players not paid in full by 9PM March 12th RISK NOT BEING PAIRED for Round 1.</p> <p>Team Rooms: Details to be announced. In previous years teams received “refunds” on their team rooms. That option WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE this year. Sorry.</p>
<p>Event Schedule</p> 	<p>Check-in and Late Registration: 3-9PM on Friday, March 12th. Check-in is only for players that need to pay fees, or who want to enter Blitz (Blitz Registration closes at 6PM). Arrive at the Registration Desk by 9PM Friday to pay or register late. Payments by cash or check only, no credit cards. Blitz Registration closes at 6PM sharp!</p> <p>Round Times: Blitz begins at 6:30PM Friday March 12th. For the Main Event, Rounds 1-4 are on Saturday March 13th @ 9AM, 12-noon, 3PM, and 6PM. Rounds 5 and 6 on Sunday March 14th @ 8:30AM and 12-noon.</p> <p>Time Controls: Blitz, Game-in-5. Main Event--Rds 1-3 (Game-60), Rds 4-6 (Game-90).</p> <p>Awards Ceremonies: Blitz—Sunday, 8AM. Main Event—Sunday, by section as soon as possible after each section’s final round.</p> <p>Chess Sets and Boards: Will be provided. IF YOU OWN A CHESS CLOCK, BRING IT.</p>
<p>Awards</p> 	<p>Players finishing in 1st Place in their section earn the title of “2010 VA State Champion”</p> <p>Blitz Prizes: Trophies for 1st-5th Place for Individuals and Teams, 1st-3rd in Collegiate.</p> <p>Scholastics Main Event: Team and Individual trophies, <i>see tournament web site.</i></p> <p>Collegiate Main Event: Trophies plus cash awards based on the number of entries.</p> <p>Winner of the K-12 Section is eligible to represent Virginia at the prestigious Denker Tournament of High School Champions in August 2010. The top-finishing girl in K-12 is eligible to represent the state at the annual Girl’s Championships (name of event TBD).</p>
<p>Hotel Information</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hilton Garden Inn, Blacksburg: 30 Rooms, \$95 per room, call the hotel to Reserve 540-552-5005. Mention “Virginia Chess Federation Rate.” Must reserve by Feb 12. Holiday Inn (Collegiate Inn) of Blacksburg, 25 Rooms, \$102 per room, Call the hotel to reserve, 540-552-7001, Mention “Virginia Chess Federation Rate.” Must reserve by Feb 15. Days Inn, 25 Rooms, \$72.49 per room, Call the hotel to reserve 540-951-1330. Mention Virginia Chess Federation and Group Code 64946413. Must reserve by Feb 15.
<p>Questions</p>	<p>See the Home page at www.vachess.org for more information and directions to the site.</p> <p>If you have additional questions: Contact Mike Hoffpauir at 757-846-4805 (cell), 757-867-8592 (home), or by email to mhoffpauir@aol.com. Please do not contact Virginia Tech!</p>

