

2015 Virginia State Scholastic & College Chess & Blitz Chess Championships

Friday Night, Saturday and Sunday, March 13th - 15th, 2015

Place	Monticello High School, 1400 Independence Way, Charlottesville, VA 22902
Tournament Format and Player Eligibility	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>THERE ARE THREE TOURNAMENTS</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Friday Night Blitz: Friday, March 13th. Four or five rounds, with play in 3 Sections (K-5, K-12, and College). Time control is Game-in-5, and each player plays 2 games against the same opponent, one game as White and the other as Black. See below for awards. On-site Registration for Blitz closes at 5:15PM, and Round 1 is at 6PM. Open to any Scholastic or Collegiate Player, YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A VIRGINIA RESIDENT TO PLAY BLITZ. Players must bring a chess clock. Main Event—The 2015 VA State Scholastic & College Chess Championships: Saturday and Sunday, March 14th and 15th. Five (5) Sections--K-3, K-5, K-8, K-12 and College. Six Rounds of chess, four for the College games. Players can “play up” into a higher section. Scholastic players must be attending a public, private or home school in VA. College Section players must be enrolled in a VA college or university, or be a Virginia Resident attending college out-of-state. Titled GM or IM college players cannot be more than 25 years old as of September 1, 2014. NEW for 2015!! 4-Round Parents and Friends (P&F) Tournament: For adults only (e.g. parents, coaches, family friends and other adult players), no scholastic or college players. 4 rated games, with Rounds 1-3 on Sat. at G/45 time control, and Round 4 on Sun. at G/60. See below for Registration instructions and Round Times. Family-based and Place prizes. See www.vachess.org for details.
Registration	<p>Advance Registration: Opens Jan 1, 2015 at www.vachess.org. Advance entry \$20 for P&F, \$15 for Blitz, \$35 for the Main Event. Three ways to Pay: 1) PayPal when you register online, 2) Mail your payment to the address on the next page, or 3) Pay by check or cash at the Registration Desk on FRIDAY evening, March 13th. No credit cards accepted on-site.</p> <p>If you prefer to register by US Mail, see the next page of this flyer for your Entry Form.</p> <p>Late Registration: On-site only at Monticello HS, Friday March 13th from 4-9PM. Late Entry Fee for Blitz is \$20, \$25 for P&F, \$50 for the Main Event. Blitz Registration closes at 5:15PM!! Un-registered Blitz Players who arrive after 5:15PM can register to play Blitz starting with Round 2.</p> <p>No Main Event registrations after 9PM Friday evening. Entries will not be accepted by phone or email. No entries accepted on Saturday morning w/o approval of the Chief TD. To enter the P&F Tournament on-site, go to the Tournament Director’s Office and sign up by 11AM Saturday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Main Event Players not paid in full by 9PM March 13th RISK NOT BEING PAIRED for Round 1.</p> <p>Team Rooms: A limited number will be available. Details at www.vachess.org for details.</p>
Event Schedule	<p>Check-in and Late Registration: 4-9PM on Friday, March 13th. Check-in is only for players who need to pay fees, who have questions, or who want to enter Blitz (Blitz Registration closes at 5:15PM). Arrive at the Registration Desk by 9PM Friday to pay. Payments by cash or check only, no credit cards accepted at the tournament site.</p> <p>Round (Rd) Times: Blitz Rd 1 at 6 PM Fri. March 13th. For the Main Event, Rds 1-4 are on Sat. March 14th @ 9AM, 12-noon, 3PM, and 6PM. Rds 5 and 6 on Sun. March 15th @ 8:30AM and 12-noon. For the P&F Tournament, Rd 1 Sat. @ 12:30PM, Rd 2 @ 3:30PM; Rd 3 @ 6:30PM; Rd 4 Sun. @ 9AM.</p> <p>Time Controls: Blitz, Game-in-5. Main Event--Rds 1-3 (G/60; d5), Rds 4-6 (G/90; d5).</p> <p>Awards Ceremonies: Blitz Awards—Saturday evening at 5:50PM. P&F Awards handed out before start of Round 6 in the main tournament. Main Event Awards handed-out by section on Sunday 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>
Awards	<p>Players finishing in 1st Place in their section earn the title of “2015 VA State Champion”</p> <p>For a list of all Blitz, Main Event and P&F prizes, see the tournament web site at www.vachess.org.</p> <p>If there is a tie for 1st place in either the K-8 or K-12 Section with a perfect 6.0 score there will be a 1-game “Armageddon” Blitz Playoff between the TOP 2 FINISHERS based on tie-breaks. The winners of the K-8 and K-12 Sections are eligible to represent VA at prestigious National Chess events in August 2015 as part of the U.S. Open. The top-finishing girl in K-12 is eligible to represent VA at the National Girl’s Invitational Tournament in August 2015 during the U.S. Open.</p>
Hotel Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are arranging several hotel deals, see www.vachess.org for details.
Questions	<p>See the Home page at www.vachess.org for more information and directions to the site.</p> <p>If you have additional questions: Mike Hoffpauir at 757-846-4805 or email to mhoffpauir@aol.com.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Please do not contact Monticello HS about the Tournament!</i></p>



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