

Early Bird Flyer for the **2018 Virginia State Scholastic & College** **Chess Championships**

Friday Night, Saturday and Sunday, March 2nd – 4th, 2018

WHERE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • William Fleming High School – 3649 Ferncliff Ave NW, Roanoke, VA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please do not contact the High School about the tournament. If you have any questions, contact us (see below).
Tournament Information	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>THERE ARE THREE TOURNAMENTS</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>The Main Event—2018 VA State Scholastic & College Championships:</u> Games played on <u>Saturday and Sunday</u>, March 3rd and 4th. Players play in one of 5 Sections, K-3, K-5, K-8, K-12 or College. There are 4 Rounds on Saturday, and 2 on Sunday. One half-point Bye will be allowed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday: Rd 1 at 9AM, Rd 2 at 12-noon, Rd 3 at 3PM, Rd 4 at 6PM • Sunday: Rd 5 at 8:30AM, Rd 6 at 12-noon • College Section plays only 4 rounds, all on Saturday. 2. <u>Friday Night Blitz: Friday, March 2ND.</u> (Sorry, there is no Bug-house.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration for Blitz will be available online and on-site. Trophies for Individuals AND Teams in Blitz. Blitz is played in three sections: K-5, K-12 and College. College Blitz may be cancelled if there are not enough players in the section. THERE IS NO BUGHOUSE. 3. <u>4-Round Parents and Friends (P&F) Tournament:</u> 3 rounds on Saturday, 1 round on Sunday. One ½-point Bye will be allowed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday: Rd 1 at 12:30PM, Rd 2 at 3:30PM, Rd 3 at 6:30PM • Sunday: Round 4 at 9AM
Registration	<p><u>Advance Registration:</u> Opens Friday, Dec 15th, 2017 at www.vachess.org.</p> <p>There will be three ways to Pay: 1) <u>PayPal</u> when you register online, 2) <u>Mailing</u> your payment to us by U.S. Mail, or 3) <u>Credit card, check or cash at the Registration Desk</u> on FRIDAY evening, March 2nd.</p> <p><u>Team Rooms:</u> A limited number of classrooms will be made available by the school for use as Team Rooms, usually 15-20 or so. Minimum team size is 10 players. Smaller teams can book a Team Room together. Sign-up will be handled on-line only, no team room sign-up by email. Do not contact the High School about your team rooms, sign-up and team room questions will be handled by us (see below).</p>
Chess Stuff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>We provide:</u> <u>Chess sets and notation sheets</u> for you to record the moves in your games. • <u>You provide:</u> Pencils, <u>chess clocks</u>, your own score-book (optional). Chess Notation is required in the K-5, K-8, K-12 and College sections. Notation is <i>optional</i> in K-3; however, K-3 players who “play up” <u>MUST</u> take notation. • <u>US Chess Federation membership is required for all events</u> (www.uschess.org) • We will have vendors at the site selling Chess Equipment, hoodies, shirts, hats, etc.
Hotel Info	<u>See</u> www.vachess.org
Questions	<p><u>If you have questions:</u> Email <u>Mike Hoffpauir</u> at mhoffpauir@aol.com or <u>see the information posted at</u> www.vachess.org</p> <p><u>Information about player and team eligibility also is available at</u> www.vachess.org</p>