



Spratley Gifted Center

Spring Chess Tournament

Saturday, April 14, 2018

What	<p><u>TWO CHESS TOURNAMENTS TO SUIT ALL SKILL LEVELS ...</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholastic Tournament: 4 Sections ... K5 Open and Not-Rated, and K12 Open and Not-Rated. If you are unsure of which section is best for your player, please contact us at results@vschess.org. Players will play 4 or 5 rounds, depending on the number of entries. • Quad Tournament: For all adults and any Advanced K-12 player who want a greater challenge. Advanced Scholastics means rated 1200 or higher. The number of "quads" will depend on the number of players who enter the Quad Tournament.
Where	Spratley Gifted Center, 339 Woodland Road, Hampton, VA 23669
When	Saturday, April 14, 2018. On-site Registration 8-9 AM. <u>Players who arrive after 9 AM will NOT be paired for Round 1.</u> "New Players" briefing at 9 AM. Round 1 in Scholastics and Quads begins about 9:30 AM.
Prizes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholastic Tournament: Trophies, Medals & Ribbons. Trophies to 1st-5th Place Individuals in K-5 Open, K-5 Not-Rated, K-12 Open and K-12 Not-Rated. Trophies also to 1st-3rd Place Teams in K5 and K12 Open & Not-Rated. Medals to players with an "even score". Ribbons to the rest!! • Quad Tournament: Cash prizes in each Quad (1st--\$45, 2nd--\$30)
How to Register	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholastic Tournament and Quads: Register online by 7AM Thursday, April 12th at www.vschess.org. Or, register on-site at the tournament.
Entry Fee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholastic Tournament: \$10 if you register early (online), \$15 at the door. • Quad Tournament: \$20 to play. • US Chess Federation (US Chess) membership required for the Rated (Open) sections and the Quads; renew your membership or join at www.uschess.org.
Tournament Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scholastic Tournament: 4 or 5 rounds using the Swiss System, with number of rounds determined by the number of players in a Section. This is NOT an elimination event!! One half-point BYE request allowed per player, but must declare before the start of Round 1. Time control is Game-in-40 minutes (each player has 40 minutes to make their moves), plus a 5-second time delay. • Quads: Round-robin format (3 rounds) within each Quad, no byes. Time control is Game-in-60 minutes, plus a 5-second time delay.
What to Bring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An intense desire to have fun meeting and competing against other players. We will provide chess sets for all Scholastic players. If you own a chess clock, please bring it. ALSO ... bring pencils so you can record your games. • There will be a 45-min to 1-hour break for Lunch only if the School DOES NOT have on-site Concessions for sale. "Timing" of the Lunch Break, if we have one, will be determined on-site by the Chief Tournament Director. We suggest you bring your own lunch.
Notes	Players in the Open Sections and the Quads tournament must be members of the U.S. Chess Federation (US Chess). Please join US Chess, or renew your membership before the tournament at www.uschess.org . Membership is not required for the Not-Rated sections.
For more Information ...	Contact us at results@vschess.org Spratley students and parents should contact the Spratley Chess Club Coordinator