

-Pairings should be up by 4:45. If you are reading this page the pairings for round 1 are not up yet and you can relax in Ketterling Hall

Please double check the school and grade are correct!

-This tournament has a new format: there will be 3 rounds tonight, two games with the same opponent each round (6 games total)
Grades K-2 will NOT use chess clocks. Grades 3 and up will play with chess clocks set to G/8, In the event that a player runs out of time we will follow USCF rules that state that a game is lost on time unless their opponent has no mating material (a single pawn, a Rook, Knight+Bishop, or two Bishops, a Queen, or any greater amount of material counts as mating material for a time loss.)
The goal of the new format is to break ties and also to start awards by 8pm

-Finally remind their child if they have questions about the rules, clocks, a checkmate, a draw, or stalemate, touch move rule or anything else they are to stop the game, pause the clock and get help from a tournament director. Disputes must be resolved during the round and cannot be resolved after scores are recorded.

1)The tournament is at the Hinsdale Community House, 415 W. 8th St. Hinsdale

2) Round 1 starts promptly at 5pm arrive by 4:45

3)If you received this email your child is registered, and you DO NOT need to check in

4)Parent supervision is required; you can't drop off and leave your child unattended! There is a break in-between rounds. Carpooling or having one parent watch a few students from the same school is reasonable for 3rd graders and up.

5)This is NOT an elimination tournament participants will play 3 rounds regardless of their score.

6)Before each round including round 1 tournament pairings will be posted in Kettering Hall(The big room with the stage) Participants should find their name and board number and color.

It will look like Raso, Paul 32 W That means Paul Raso will play the white pieces on board #32

All boards in the tournament room are numbered

Please double check that your child's name and school team are correct!

7)Food concessions will be available on site 5:30-7:20pm

8)BOTH tournament participants from a game MUST report their scores after the game is finished BEFORE leaving the tournament room!

9)Touch move rule, and the no talking will be enforced in the tournament room. No Parents or coaches are allowed in the tournament room. If your child has any doubt that their opponent is not playing fair or following the rules, or if they are unsure if the position is a checkmate or stalemate they should raise their hand immediately to get help from a tournament director. After the round is over its impossible to resolve a belated dispute.

10)Our goal is to wrap the awards by about 8pm. Finally, have fun, remind your child to not be nervous or take it too seriously.