



Encouraging Academic Growth Through the Game of Chess

Polk Scholastic Chess

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Attn: Chess Coaches:

It is time to get ready for another exciting year of Polk Scholastic Chess. The 2011 - 2012 tournaments will be held at Highland Park Church of the Nazarene, Family Ministries Building, 4730 Lakeland Highlands Road, Lakeland, FL 33813. The 2011 - 2012 tournament season fees are still only \$30.00 per player. (Late entries \$40.00 per player, but not guaranteed entry until the third round on the day of the tournament). **To run the tournaments smoothly, this year registration on the day of the tournament will not be accepted. Also one withdrawal per tournament for the round will be allowed and has to be submitted during registration in the morning on the Withdrawal form.** Therefore do register early. Also please note change of address as above. The schedule this year is as follows:

- Tournament 1 - October 22, 2011
- Tournament 2 - November 12, 2011
- Tournament 3 - December 10, 2011
- Tournament 4 - January 14, 2012
- Championship - March 03, 2012 (must have played 12 of the 16 rounds to qualify for the Championship)

All of the 2011 - 2012 tournaments will be game 30.

Please find three items enclosed: Player's Application, Coach's Application, and a Team Registration Sheet. **All forms and fees must be post marked by September 24th, 2011. NO EXCEPTIONS.** Please remember to have your administrator sign the Coach's Application and the Team Registration Sheet. Please make copies of the forms as needed. You may pick up a copy of the coaches and Players manual at the tournaments.

Last year we were at full capacity of 648 players and had to turned down more than fifty registrations. We expect to have full capacity this tournament season as well. Schools that do not already have a chess team are encouraged to start one. New clubs are eligible to receive chess advice and start up chess boards. If you would like to start a new club, need help with a new club, or have a general question about Polk Scholastic Chess, please contact Arvind Shah at 863-294-8761.

Web site: www.polkscholasticchess.com

Thank you for your continued support and participation.

The Polk Scholastic Chess Board Members

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