

51st Annual
MSCA Scholastic Chess Championship 2016

March 19-20, 2016

St. Catherine University, 2004 Randolph Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55105

Prizes

Team and individual trophies will be presented: The K-12 section will have top individuals/teams; top female; top grades 9-12, The K-9 section will have top individuals; top teams, top middle schools. More trophies and categories may be added. Two or more players are required to make a team. A player may participate without being on a team. The team score will be the top four individual scores among team members. GM Wesley So is scheduled to present awards Sunday.

Format and Schedule

Four Sections: High School (grades K-12), Junior High (grades K-9), Elementary (grades K-6) and Primary (grades K-3), with the following round times and time controls:

K-12 Senior High

K-9 Junior High

Saturday (G/60+5 delay)

Round 1: 9:00am

Round 2: 11:30am

Round 3: 2:00pm

Round 4: 5:00pm

Round 5: 7:30pm

Sunday (G/90+5 delay)

Round 6: 10:00am

Round 7: 2:00pm

K-6 Elementary

Saturday (G/60+5 delay)

Round 1: 9:00am

Round 2: 11:30am

Round 3: 2:00pm

Round 4: 5:00pm

Sunday (G/60+5 delay)

Round 5: 10:00am

Round 6: 1:00pm

K-3 Primary

Saturday (G/30+5 delay)

Round 1: 9:00am

Round 2: 10:15am

Round 3: 11:30am

Round 4: 1:30pm

Round 5: 2:45pm

(Saturday only event)

The Awards Ceremony for each section will begin approximately 15-30 minutes after the last game for the day has completed.

The K-12 and K-9 sections will be qualifier events for a closed championship that will determine the Minnesota representatives for the National Denker Tournament of High School Champions and Barber Tournament of Middle School Champions respectively. The top girl from the K-12 section will represent Minnesota in the National Girls Tournament of Champions. Please read the rules for further details.

Registration

The entry fee for all sections is \$35 if postmarked by March 15, 2016, or by online by March 17 at minnesotachess.org. USCF and MSCA membership required. Registration on-site is from 8 to 8:45am on Saturday, on-site entry fee is \$45. No phone or e-mail registrations accepted. Late registrations Saturday will receive a ½ point bye for the first round.

Bring a chess set, chess clock and pencils. Bring a sweater or sweatshirt in case the playing room is cool. Please bring meals. St. Kate's will likely have cafeteria hours.

Side activities will include a new USCF rated blitz event to be held after the tournament concludes. Online registration \$5 or onsite registration \$10. Chess supplies will be available to purchase.