

The Virginia
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The 2016 Virginia State Scholastic & College Chess Championships

Friday Night, Saturday and Sunday, March 4th - 6th, 2016

Place	Rock Ridge High School, 43460 Loudoun Reserve Drive, Ashburn, VA 20148
Tournament Format and Player Eligibility	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>THERE ARE FOUR TOURNAMENTS!!</u></p> <p>#1 and #2. Friday Night Blitz & Bughouse: Friday, March 4th. Four or five rounds of Blitz and Bughouse, you can register for either. Blitz has 3 Sections (K-5, K-12, and College), Bughouse has 2 Sections (K-5 and K-12), no College Bughouse. Time control is Game-in-5, no time delay, with 2 games per Round in both Blitz and Bughouse. See below for awards. On-site Registration for Blitz and Bughouse closes at 5:15 PM, and Round 1 is at 6 PM. Open to any Scholastic or College Player, you do not need to be a Virginia resident to play Blitz or Bughouse. Players must bring a chess clock.</p> <p>#3. The Main Event—The 2016 VA State Scholastic & College Chess Championships: Saturday and Sunday. March 5th and 6th. Five (5) Sections--K-3, K-5, K-8, K-12 and College. Six Rounds of chess, except only 4 Rounds for College all played on Saturday. Players can "play up" into a higher section. Scholastic players must be attending a public, private or home school in VA. College Section players must be enrolled in a VA college or university, or be a Virginia Resident attending college out-of-state. Titled GM or IM college players cannot be more than 25 years old as of September 1, 2015.</p> <p>#4. Parents and Friends (P&F) Tournament: For adults only (e.g. parents, coaches, family friends and other adult players), no scholastic or college players. 4 USCF-rated games, with Rounds 1-3 on Sat. at G/45 time control, and Round 4 on Sun. at G/60. See below for Registration instructions and Round Times. See www.vachess.org for details.</p>
Registration	<p>Advance Registration: Open now at www.vachess.org. Advance entry is \$25 for P&F, \$20 for Blitz or Bughouse, \$50 for the Main Event. You have 3 ways to Pay: 1) PayPal when you register online, 2) Mail your payment to the address on the next page, or 3) Pay at the Registration Desk FRIDAY evening. Entries and payments for Parents & Friends will be accepted on Saturday AM at the tournament site. Payments can be made by check, cash or credit card. Payments by mail must be check or money order. If you prefer to register by US Mail, see the next page of this flyer for your Entry Form.</p> <p>Late Registration: On-site only at Rock Ridge HS, Friday March 4th from 4-9 PM. Late Entry Fee for Blitz is \$25, \$30 for P&F, \$65 for the Main Event. Blitz & Bughouse Registration closes at 5:15PM!! Un-registered Blitz or Bughouse Players who arrive after 5:15 can register to play starting with Round 2.</p> <p>No Main Event registrations allowed after 9 PM Friday evening. Entries will not be accepted by phone or email. No entries accepted on Saturday morning w/o approval of the Chief TD. To enter the P&F Tournament on-site, go to the Tournament Director's Office and sign up by 11AM Saturday.</p> <p>Main Event Players not paid in full by 9 PM March 4th RISK NOT BEING PAIRED for Round 1.</p> <p>Team Rooms will be available: \$75 per room. Details at www.vachess.org.</p>
Schedule of Events	<p>Check-in and Late Registration: 4-9PM on Friday, March 4th. Check-in is only for players who need to pay fees, who have questions, or who want to enter Blitz or Bughouse (Blitz & Bug Registration closes at 5:15 PM sharp!). Arrive at the Registration Desk by 9 PM Friday to pay. Cash, check or credit card accepted at the tournament site.</p> <p>Round Times: Blitz & Bughouse Rd 1 @ 6 PM Fri. March 4th. For the Main Event, Rds 1-4 are on Sat. March 5th @ 9AM, 12-noon, 3 PM, and 6 PM. Rds 5 and 6 on Sun. March 6th @ 8:30 AM and 12-noon. For the P&F Tournament, Rd 1 Sat. @ 12:30PM, Rd 2 @ 3:30PM; Rd 3 @ 6:30PM; Rd 4 Sun. @ 9AM.</p> <p>Time Controls: Blitz & Bughouse, Game-in-5, no time delay. Main Event--Rds 1-3 (G/60; d5), Rds 4-6 (G/90; d5). P&F is G/45 d5 for Rds 1-3 and G/60 d5 for Rd 4.</p> <p>Awards Ceremonies: Blitz & Bughouse Awards—Saturday before Rounds 3 and 4. P&F Awards handed out before start of Round 6 in the main tournament. Main Event Awards handed-out by section on Sunday as soon as possible after each section's final round.</p> <p>Chess Sets and Boards: Will be provided. IF YOU OWN A CHESS CLOCK, BRING IT.</p>
Awards	<p>In the Main Event, Players and Teams who finish in 1st Place earn the title of "2016 VA State Champion" For a list of all prizes, see the tournament web site at www.vachess.org.</p> <p>If there is a tie for 1st place in either the K-8 or K-12 Section with a perfect 6.0 score there will be a 1-game "Armageddon" Blitz Playoff between the TOP 2 FINISHERS based on tie-breaks. The winners of the K-8 and K-12 Sections are eligible to represent VA at prestigious National Chess events in August 2016 as part of the U.S. Open. The top girl in K-12 is eligible to represent VA at the National Girl's Invitational Tournament in August 2016 during the U.S. Open.</p>
Hotel Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are arranging several hotel deals, details will be posed online at www.vachess.org
Questions	<p>See the Tournament Home Page at www.vachess.org for more information and directions to the site.</p> <p>Additional questions? Contact Mike Hoffpauir at 757-846-4805 or email to mhoffpauir@aol.com.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Please do not contact Rock Ridge HS about the Tournament!</u></p>



