6-Round G/15:+15 Swiss-Paired Chess Tournament





Scholastic K-12 Online Chess Tournament

Hosted by: MSCA - Mississippi Scholastic Chess Association

Saturday: 5/30/2020 First Round Begins at 10:00 AM

Click Here for LiChess Website

How to register:

- 1. Create a LiChess Account at: <u>lichess.org</u>
- 2. JOIN the MSCA Team and PLEASE PROVIDE:
 - Scholastic player's name and grade level this year
 - City, State
 - Complete the checkmate captcha at the bottom of the page to submit
- Use the link below:

https://lichess.org/team/msca-mississippi-scholastic-chess-association

You can also navigate to the team from LiChess Homepage by clicking:

COMMUNITY > TEAMS > ALL TEAMS > and use search bar to find: MSCA - Mississippi Scholastic Chess Association

- Open to all Kindergarten through 12th-grade students, including NON-Mississippi Residents!
- 3. Await approval by administrators

- 4. Once approved... Click on the JOIN button
- at: https://lichess.org/swiss/RvN2i2Xb
- 5. Be online, at the tournament website: https://lichess.org/swiss/RvN2i2Xb @ 10 AM on May 30th, and you will be paired!

This event is **SWISS Paired**... How Do I Know When I Play?

- First Round Games START at 10:00AM
- 6 rounds. No guaranteed round start times for Rounds 2-6.
- 5 minutes between completion of the last game & start of the next round.

You must monitor how many games are still in progress:

- · A large "In progress" game tally counter will be located at the top right corner of the tournament page.
- You can click on "In progress" games to see how close they are to completion.
- · When the game counter reaches zero, a 5-minute clock will appear counting down to the next round.

You can finally spectate without being shooed away by TDs!

ESTIMATED Tournament Duration will be 10:00AM - 2:00 PM

- You can **JOIN late** as long as you JOIN **before the start of Round 4**.
- You can PAUSE and avoid pairing for as many rounds as you desire but will only receive ½ point for the first round that you PAUSE.
- You may also gain a full point if you are actively JOINED but not paired due to an odd number of participants.

ALL GAMES and ALL MOVES will be available for review online after the tournament!

Recommendations:

- 1. Use the Lichess website in a browser. The app is a bit cumbersome, but can be used in a pinch.
- 2. Be online, at the tournament website: https://lichess.org/swiss/oJsI0DTm before 10 AM on tournament day
- 3. It is recommended that your student familiarize him/herself with LiChess
- 4. Have them play a few games on Lichess.org before the event
- 5. Help them discover the buttons to: "Offer a Draw" The Handshake icon, and "Resign" the Flag
- 6. Do not wait until minutes before the tournament to complete all of the above registration steps as this may delay your child's ability to start the tournament on time.

7. Call or email **LIZABETH THRASHER** with any questions:

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