

CYO of Long Island Chess

Rules and Organizational Matters

- Grade Level:** There will be three divisions by grade level:
- 3rd and 4th grade (referenced as 4th grade);
 - 5th and 6th grade (referenced as 6th grade);
 - 7th and 8th grade (referenced as 8th grade)
- Players Per Team:** 4th and 6th grade divisions will play 4 players at a match. If you have more than 4 players on a team, you should rotate those additional players into match play throughout the season.
- 8th grade division will play a minimum of 2 players at a match. To the extent opposing teams have more than 2 players (i.e. – 3 players) and all three players are available to play in a match, then coaches should accommodate the third player into the match sequences (i.e. 3 matches).
- For all divisions, each player registered for Chess should play at least 50% of the matches during a season.
- Feel free to contact coaches ahead of your matches to confirm number of players that will be in attendance.
- Player Rankings:** Players should be ranked by the coaches. Best players are ranked #1 through #4 based on experience and match performance (see Match Score Cards distributed by CYO). Coaches should keep track of player performance and submit rosters at the start of each match disclosing the win-loss record of each player.
- A player cannot move down/up in ranking more than one designation on a week to week basis. For illustrative purposes, a player ranked #1 at the beginning of the season can be designated a #2 ranking in week 2, where they will retain that ranking for the next week before moving up or down in rank.
- Minimum Play:** Each player must play in at least 50% of the matches during the season, and cannot play more than three games within a respective match.
- Match Play:** Each match will consist of 3 games. Players should play all three games in a match, even if a player wins the first two games, and thus winning the

match. Every game that is played has a point system associated with it, thus it is important to play all three games in a match.

Point Scoring:

4th Grade Division: The winner of every game receives one point.

Therefore, the maximum number of points that a team can score at a match is 12 points (3 games at 4 matches equals 12 points).

6th Grade Division: The winner of the #1 ranked match will receive 4 points; the winner of the 2nd and 3rd ranked match will receive 3 points and the winner of the 4th ranked match will receive 2 points.

8th Grade Division: The winner of every game receives one point.

Therefore, the maximum number of points that a team can score at a match is 6 points [3 games at 2 matches equals 6 points (9 points if 3 players play in the match)].

Matches

Per Season:

There will be 10 matches played by each team each season.

Instructional

Level:

4th grade level will be focused on learning the fundamentals of Chess in an environment that stresses the enjoyment and leaning of the game versus competition. Players and teams will travel to other parishes to play in matches, but will have an opportunity between games for coaches to teach them lessons from the games previously played.

Time Clock:

Each grade level will play their games pursuant to a clock and time constraint.

4th grade will play games subject to a 10 minute time limit;

6th grade will play games subject to a 15 minute time limit;

8th grade will play games subject to a 15 minute time limit.

Recording:

No team will be required to record their individual game moves on a score card.

Home Team

Obligation:

The Home Team is responsible for providing the chess board, chess pieces and time clocks. The Chess board should have the standard number and letter markings. The Chess pieces must be standard chess pieces (no novelty chess pieces are allowed).

The HOME team **must have a spare clock** and extra batteries at each match in the event of a clock malfunction. Failure to provide a working clock will result in an immediate loss of the game(s)/match(es).

Home Color: The home team will always use the white chess pieces, and as such, will always make the first move in the FIRST game of the Chess match.

The away team will be black and will make the opening move in the SECOND game of the Chess match.

The home team will then make the opening move in the THIRD game of the Chess match.

In Chess, it is commonly thought that the player that makes the opening move has the advantage.

In a 10 match season, with half of the games Home and the other half Away games, this dynamic should even itself out over the season.

Parental Role: Parents are NOT allowed to remain in the room in which the tournaments are taking place. ONLY the coaches are allowed to remain in the room when games/matches are being played.

Team Tournament: At the end of the season, the teams that finish in first and second place in their division will have the opportunity to play in a playoff at the end of the season.

CYO Chess

Tournaments: CYO will be hosting 3 tournaments this season – one in mid-January; one in mid-February and one in mid-March. All players registered for CYO Chess will be eligible to play in these tournaments at no additional cost. Players will have the opportunity to play as an individual and not as a team.

Conflicts and

Game Changes: Given that this is our inaugural season, and the ability to designate black-out dates has been difficult, CYO will grant considerable leeway to changing match play due to conflicts. You will be able to change 3 matches during the season, and should work this out directly with the opposing coach. Changes have to be made one week in advance of the scheduled game.

Undeclared

King in Check: In the event that a situation arises where a player's King is in Check, but the opposing player has not declared that the King is in Check, and the game continues, only for a player to realize after the fact that the King was/is in Check, then the game is ended right away and the game is recorded as a Draw.

En passant
and Castling:

It is expected that all players know the rules associated with En passant and Castling.

Reporting of
Scores:

Both Home and Away teams are required to do the following within 72 hours of a match:

1. Report scores into the Coaches Corner on the CYO website
2. Fax the Chess Match CYO Score Card for that day to 516-433-1238



CYO CHESS SCORESHEET

Parish _____ **Date** _____ **Home** _____ **Visitor** _____

PLAYERS

HISTORY

CURRENT GAME

WON LOST

WON LOST

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

TOTAL _____

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