

24th Annual Oklahoma State Scholastic Chess Championship

Saturday, March 7, 2020 at the Carl Albert Field House

2009 S. Post Road, Midwest City, OK 73130

Hosted by Carl Albert High School / MWCCAH

Organized and sanctioned by the Oklahoma Scholastic Chess Organization (OSCO)

Agenda:

8:00 to 8:30 - Pre-registered check-in. If you will be late or unable to participate, please text (918) 812-1591.

Pre-Registered: players must check-in by 8:30 to play in Round 1.

8:00 to 8:30 - Same day registrations. Door registration fee is \$30 Cash (exact change please) for all who pay at the door. Registrations after 8:30 will receive 1/2 point bye in round 1

8:45 – Announcements & floor nominations for the OSCO Policy Board (2-year terms). Four positions are open this year. Recognition of OSCO Premier Section Players: For all OSCO players participating in the State Championship who for the first time participated in the Premier Section in any of the events during the 2019-20 scholastic year, OSCO is awarding a chess bag and triple-weighted chess set. These dedicated scholastic chess players will be recognized during the morning announcements.

9:30 - Round 1 (Estimated time)

Rounds following each individual section will begin shortly after the completion of the prior round.

Lunch: An extended break of at least 20 minutes will be provided for lunch between rounds.

Concessions (Drinks, Snacks, Food) and delivery Pizza will be pre-sold. Buy your pizza tickets before 10a.m.

Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the last round of each section. Section 4 & 5 will combine for team awards.

Registration: \$25 for all PRE-PAID preregistrations. Registration fee is \$30 for all who pay at the door.

[Click here for OSCO Online Registration \(CLOSES AT 5PM THURSDAY 5 March\)](#)

Online pre-registration is strongly encouraged to help the tournament start on schedule. Please send mail-in pre-registration with **\$25 postmarked by March 2nd**. OSCO Membership is included. Visit www.okschess.org for more information about OSCO. Chess Express Rating included. USCF rating included for 9-12th grade Premier players.

Sections: (5 rounds G/45 No Delay for sections 1-4 and 4 rounds of G/60 No Delay for Section 5 Premier)

- 1) Grades K-4 Open,
- 2) K-6 Open,
- 3) Grades 6-9 Open,
- 4) Grades 9-12 U1100
- 5) Grades 9-12 Premier

Awards:

School Team Trophies for 1st and 2nd place. Individual scores for sections 4 & 5 are combined for school team trophies. An adder of 1.5 is provided to each player in Premier Section 5 to accommodate for playing one less round and for playing in a higher rated section.

Club Team Trophies for 1st place. Individual scores for sections 4 & 5 are combined for club team trophies. An adder of 1.5 is provided to each player in Premier Section 5 to accommodate for playing one less round and for playing in a higher rated section.

Individual Trophies awarded to all players scoring 4.0+ in sections 1 through 4 and to those scoring 3.0+ in the 9-12 Premier section. Blitz (5 minute game) tiebreak as needed for first place trophy.

Individual Medals for plus scores (3-points or more) in Sections 1-4 and 2.5 points in Section 5.

Upset Awards for the largest rating upset in Open sections 1-3 (CXR ratings) and Premier (USCF, minimum 1000 if playing up based on CXR rating)

Most Improved Full Season Awards (as of 29 Feb 2020) for the **Most Improved Player In Each Section** (per grade and CXR Best Rating at start of season) and for the **Overall Most Improved Player in OSCO**, all based upon CXR Best Rating increases during the 2019-20 season (less any rating adjustments due to disparity with USCF).

National Invitational Tournament awards to be awarded, if there is not a tie to be resolved head to head 18 April.

The calculation for Multi-tournament awards may be found at: okschess.org

Denker \$750 Scholarship to the top 9-12 grade player for travel and lodging to represent Oklahoma at the 2020 Denker Invitational Tournament of High School Champions.

Haring National Girls Invitational Tournament \$750 Scholarship to the top girl for travel and lodging to represent Oklahoma at the 2020 NGIT.

Barber Tournament of Grade 6-8 Champions \$750 Scholarship for travel and lodging to represent the state of Oklahoma at the 2020 Barber Invitational Tournament.

Rockefeller Tournament of Grade K-5 Champions \$750 Scholarship for travel and lodging to represent the state of Oklahoma at the 2020 Rockefeller Invitational Tournament.

School Teams:

A "Club Team" is defined as a group of players that regularly meet and practice together, with published meeting time and place available online to allow verification that the team members actually do meet. Club teams will include the same number of player scores as is used in the same event for school teams, due to pairing software limitations. At the beginning of the season, a player will have to choose whether to compete with a school team or club team for that season. Only one change will be allowed per school year. Players may not compete on a new team for the first time at the state championship. In order to maintain the integrity of the Club Team definition, players found to be participating in tournaments as a Club Team member but NOT meeting and practicing as part of the Club Team will be subject to a one game suspension of both the team and player on the first offense and for one calendar year for repeat offenses.

Any Club Teams forming must Email or notify the tournament director so they can be added to the online registration list of teams. Their team code will be prefaced by an * for visibility on the team standings.

A "School Team" is defined as a group of players that must have their primary enrollment in the same school. No combined schools are allowed. A school is defined as the same building or connected buildings under the same name. If homeschool players (none in any K-12 building most of the school day) are meeting and practicing together, this group may compete as a school team.

Team scores will be the total of the top 4 scores in a section for players from the same team. There must be at least two players from the same school to qualify for a team award.

Coaches and Players must verify proper team affiliations and team totals on the posted team standings.

Corrections to team affiliations must be made prior to the beginning of the last round and should be checked at the beginning of the tournament for correct team sensitivity of pairings.

Rules:

Swiss System, Individual/Team Competition with 5 rounds for sections 1-4 and 4 rounds for section 5.

One 1/2 point bye available, except last round.

Sections 1-4 play 5 rounds at G/45(45 minutes per player to complete game). NO DELAY

Section 5 for grades 9-12 Premier plays 4 rounds at G/60. NO DELAY

Grade 9-12 players rated 1000+ (CXR or USCF) will be allowed to play up into the 9-12 Premier sections.

Team sensitive pairings only as long as the tournament software can generate properly matched pairings.

Accelerated pairings may be used for over 40 players in sections 1-4 and over 20 players in section 5.

The tournament will be run in accordance with the current USCF Official Rules of Chess.

The Chief Tournament Director will be the final authority regarding all rulings.

Only Oklahoma students are eligible for titles, trophies, and scholarships.

Equipment:

If you have a chess clock, please bring it to use in the tournament. You will be allowed to use it, unless your opponent has a clock with priority according to the USCF rules.

Chess boards and sets will be provided for tournament games only.

OSCO Board Elections Four positions are up for election.

Floor nominations will occur during pre-tournament announcements followed by voting until 1:00

OSCO Members (Individuals, Affiliates & Donors): All players in OSCO tournaments during the last year are individual members.

Affiliates include all club teams, school teams and homeschool teams that have had at least two players participate as a team at any the 2019-20 OSCO tournaments. Donors include all who have donated at least \$25 to OSCO since the last state championship.

Voters: One vote per membership for each individual, affiliates and patron memberships.

A parent or guardian will vote by proxy for members under 16. Voters must all be at least age 16.

Only a directly associated representatives may be the proxy vote for affiliate clubs or patrons. Board positions will be elected this year for 2-year terms.

Members of OSCO at least age 18, or their parent/guardian, are eligible to become Board Members

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Preregister online at [Online Registration \(by 5PM Thursday 5 March\)](#)
Door registration is \$5 more and won't play in round 1 if registered after 8:30.

For more information, see the tournament flier or visit www.okschess.org

Please mail pre-registrations with \$25 entry fee by March 2 to allow time for delivery. Entry Fee is \$30 at the door between 8:00 and 9:30 am. Door registrations after 8:30 will receive a first round 1/2 point bye.

Please print clearly all the following information:

Players Name: _____ (Include Middle Name)

School or Club Team Name _____ City _____

Grade _____

Section: ___ K-4 Open, ___ K-6 Open, ___ 6-9 Open,

 ___ 9-12 U1100, ___ 9-12 Premier*

Gender: _____ Male _____ Female

Will you not participate in Round 1 and need a ½ bye? ___ Yes ___ No (must check-in with TD)

Parent/Guardian's email address: _____

*The 9-12 Premier section rated 1000+ (CXR or USCF) will be dual-rated with USCF and Chess Express rating systems. All other sections are rated with Chess Express only. Check your ratings at <http://www.cxrchess.com> and <http://www.uschess.org/msa>

RELEASE FORM (required for all tournament entrants): All children and their property are solely the responsibility of the parent/guardian at all times at this tournament. In consideration of this tournament entry on this day, of which I acknowledge, I release for the tournament entrant, myself and all my successors and assigns, the Tournament Organizer and Tournament Site Owner and all the officers, agents, successors and assigns of the above second parties, from all claims for personal injury or property damage related to this tournament.

Signed and agreed to this ___ day of _____, 2020.

_____ Printed name of parent/guardian

_____ Signature of parent or legal guardian

_____ Emergency phone number during the tournament

Please make checks for tournament registration payable to: OSCO

Send completed registration form & payment to: OSCO, 1004 E. 11th St. Edmond OK 73034

Or Register Online by Clicking This Link: [OSCO Online Registration](#)

Total Amount Submitted with Registration: \$ _____

Contact Mike Swatek at admin@okschess.org or cell 918-812-1591 with questions.