## Mini-Teams Summer Kickoff



June 26, 2021



Format: A 5-round Team Swiss tournament in four sections: K-3, 4-6, 7-12, and Parents/Friends. A Team consists of any three players from within the same section. Regular Individual Swiss pairings will be used, but with pairings between fellow teammates blocked. "Play-up" into higher grade level sections is allowed. See "Scoring" and "Procedure" below for more information.

Eligibility: Open to all students registered in grades K-12 (based on 2020-21 school year) and their parents/friends. A Chess.com and Zoom account are required. Players may form their own 3-player teams, or individual players will be added to form additional teams by the TD.

Schedule: Zoom Welcome 8:45am. Rounds at 9:15am, 10:30am, 11:45am, lunch break, 1:15pm, 2:30pm.

Entry fee: \$25 (per player)

Time Control: Game in 25 minutes with a 5 sec. increment per move.

Prizes: K-3, 4-6, 7-12 Sections: 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team Members will each receive \$50 Amazon Gift Cards. 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team Members will each receive \$35 Amazon Gift Cards. K-3 and 4-6 Sections will award an additional prize to the top finishing team under 900 average rating. 7-12 will award an additional prize to highest finishing team with all members from the same school. Best Parents/Friends and associated Scholastic Team (K-3, 4-6, or 7-12) combined score will earn a prize.

Rating: NWSRS Rated. Northwest ratings will be used to determine pairings.

**Procedure:** Pairings will be released and updated prior to the start of each round on a shared spreadsheet. Players will be paired automatically by the TD in the Live Chess area. Please contact Organizer Siva Sankrithi (sivas108@gmail.com) for any pre-determined teams. Team information will be kept on Spreadsheet HERE.

Scoring: Standings based on Team Score (sum of the individual scores of each player on your team).

Fair Play Policy: All players and parents are required to sign the WCF Fair Play Agreement prior to start of the tournament. WCF's Fair Play Committee will review any suspicious games on a case-by-case basis. Playing fairly is strongly encouraged and cheating of any kind is strictly prohibited.

**Online Registration:** https://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration/ – pay by Credit/Debit/PayPal. **Registration**, payment, and fair play agreement deadline Friday June 25th @ 5:00pm. To register your team, please fill out the Team Registration Form. No registrations will be accepted after the deadline. Any team member requests must be received by Siva (either via the above form or email) by 5:00pm **Wednesday June 23**<sup>rd</sup>, no exceptions. Players who register in the final 48 hours, along with those who have not registered a team, will be placed on a composed team. \$10 Late Fee applied to payments received after the deadline. Unpaid players will receive a zero-point bye for round 1.