

# 25<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CHESS TOURNAMENT

- Date/Time:** Saturday, **April 13th, 2024**, 9:00 a.m. - 1:40 p.m., awards at 2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Place:** **Henry Ford High School; 11911 Clinton River Road; Sterling Heights, Michigan 48313**
- Type:** It's an unrated, fun tournament!
- Grades:** Open to any Kindergarten through 12th Grade Student from any school!
- Sections:** The sections will most likely be Kindergarten – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>, and 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Registration:** **By Mail or Delivery Only!** Early Registration Deadline is for forms **postmarked no later than 04/01/2024**. Late Registration Deadline is for forms **postmarked between 04/02/2024 and no later than 04/09/2024**. Receipt of registration will be confirmed via email. The tournament website will list the participants by school, grade, and first name only. If you do not see your child's name listed after 1 week please contact us. You **must check-in** at the tournament by **8:30 a.m.** on April 13<sup>th</sup>, or the player(s) will have to **forfeit the 1<sup>st</sup> round**.
- Rounds:** 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m.
- Time Control:** 20 minutes each player, per game. Games that are still in progress after 20 minutes will have clocks put on them, set at 10 minutes per side. Games that don't have clocks will be judged by the tournament directors. *Grades 4 – 12 will be in closed rooms. No spectators during games.*
- Awards:** Trophies to, at least, the top **3** players in each section! Medals will go to the players by points. Bronze: 3.0 - 3.5 points, Silver: 4.0 - 4.5, Gold: 5 points. A special participation memento will be given to all competitors. Awards are conducted from 2:15 to 3:00 p.m.
- Entry Fee:** **\$15** Early Registration Entry Fee per player (**Postmarked no later than 04/01/2024**)  
**\$20** Late Registration Entry Fee per player (**Postmarked between 04/2/2024 and 04/09/2024**)  
SORRY, we reserve the right to **DECLINE** any registrations postmarked after 04/09/2024. Or if your registration is accepted your child(ren) may have to play in an older age section.
- Information:** Scott Burnham - Tournament Organizer, Website: [www.UCSChessTournament.weebly.com](http://www.UCSChessTournament.weebly.com)  
Work telephone: Roberts Elementary 586-797-6121; email: [UCSChessTournament@gmail.com](mailto:UCSChessTournament@gmail.com)
- Food:** **NO PEANUT OR TREE NUT PRODUCTS ALLOWED IN THE SCHOOL DUE TO ALLERGIES!**  
Food will be sold on the premises: Donuts / Bagels / Coffee / Juice / Pizza / Hot Dogs / Nachos & Cheese / Chips / Candy / Desserts / Pop / Water / Gatorade. Concessions will be donated and handled by the *Roberts Rooks Chess Club*, with the proceeds being used as their annual fundraiser to help fund future club and tournament expenses. Thanks!!!



**Registration Form for the 2024 25<sup>th</sup> Annual UCS Chess Tournament on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**Early Registration (\$15) Due Date is 04/01/2024; Late Registration (\$20) Due Date is 04/09/2024**  
**(postmarked)**

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Last Name, First Name (please print)	Grade	School
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Last Name, First Name (please print)	Grade	School
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Last Name, First Name (please print)	Grade	School
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Street Address	City/State/Zip	Telephone Number
_____	_____	_____
e-mail address (please print clearly)	Parent's Signature	Total \$ Enclosed

**Registration Confirmation by email only.**

**Make Checks Payable to:** Utica Community Schools

**Mail or Deliver Entries to:** Roberts Elementary School, UCS Chess Tournament  
2400 Belle View Drive; Shelby Township, Michigan 48316

Check Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Deposited: \_\_\_\_\_

## UCS Chess Tournament Rules

1. You **must** check-in at the tournament registration table by **8:30 a.m.** on **April 18<sup>th</sup>**, or the player(s) will have to forfeit the 1<sup>st</sup> round. THERE WILL BE **NO EXCEPTIONS** MADE TO THIS RULE.
2. We will be playing touch chess. If you touch your piece you will need to move it to a legal square.
3. Chess clocks will be placed on any games still in progress after 20 minutes have elapsed. If players bring their own clock then the entire game will be played using the clock. The tournament directors will judge any game that is not finished within the time limits. Decision of directors will be final.
4. Parents must stay away from the games, preferably standing behind or next to your child. Due to space constrictions, the 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade rooms will be for players and Tournament Directors only. No spectators.
5. Please, no talking during the games. No cell phones allowed in any playing area.
6. Please bring scorecards to the results table, with your opponent, when your match is over.
7. Please reset your chessboard and leave the playing area when your match is finished.
8. Please keep food in designated areas. **NO PEANUT / TREE NUT PRODUCTS** allowed, due to allergies.
9. If any problems or questions arise during the match, please raise your hand and wait for a tournament director to address the situation.
10. Notation pads will be available for optional use. Please bring your own pencils.
11. Any player may bring his/her own clock (label with your name, please!). Also, if your child is in 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade, please bring his/her own chess set so we will have enough equipment.
12. Remember, the director's decisions will be final.