

St. Augustine Chess Club

January Sign-Up

Why Chess? Chess is the oldest and the most challenging of games, and is showing remarkable results as a teaching tool for young students. The reasons for this are because chess:

- * involves various levels of critical thinking which apply to all intellectual endeavors (knowledge, comprehension, reasoning, analysis and evaluation);
- * requires forethought and cultivates visualization skills;
- * encourages children to overcome fear of risk-taking;
- * teaches concentration and self-discipline;
- * encourages children to assume responsibility for their decisions;
- * rewards determination and perseverance;
- * increases self-esteem and promotes good sportsmanship;
- * encourages social skills that transcends culture and generations;
- * CHESS IS FUN!

All children can succeed at chess! Even children who do not perform well academically are often inspired by chess and show an improved attitude toward learning. Time and time again exposure to chess can transform young minds.

When & Where: Every Monday 2:30-3:30 in the Music Room - Advanced chess ends at 4:00. (1/8, 1/22, & 1/29 .

Cost: Regular chess is \$10.00 per class or 30.00 if paid in full & advanced chess is \$12.00 per class or \$36.00 if paid in full. Please make sure to include your child's name on all payments.

Additional Information: When children arrive for chess they are allowed to have a small afternoon drink and snack before class begins.

Reminder!! There is now an advanced chess club. This is only opened for the children who have been in the club at least 3 years and/or those who can play an entire game of chess without making an illegal move and must be approved by Mr. Gallagher. The advanced chess club will also be on Mondays and will also start at 2:30 but end later at 4:00. The advanced students will review master games, learn more about tactics and strategy and have more time to play and finish their games. Please contact Mr. Gallagher for more information if you're interested in joining. The cost for advanced chess is \$12.00 per class. (This is not in addition to the \$9.00 fee)

Yes, my child will attend the St. Augustine chess club! (Please specify if they're in the advanced club)

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Child's Name

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Grade

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Parent's Signature