

SCHOOL CHESS ASSOCIATION

2025-2026 Tournament Schedule

Note: Some regular open tournaments will include other types of competition as well.

October 25	Kickoff Open (K-2, K-5, K-8, USCF Rated K-Adult) & SCA Camp Championship (invitational)	Plymouth Middle School	Plymouth
November 22	Priyanka Open (K-2, K-5, K-8, Girls K-12, USCF Rated K-Adult)	Plymouth Middle School	Plymouth
December 6	Winter Grade Level*	Plymouth Middle School	Plymouth
January 10	Snowball Open (K-2, K-5, K-8, Double Bug, USCF Rated K-Adult)	Plymouth Middle School	Plymouth
February 14	Valentine Open (K-2, K-5, K-8, USCF Rated K-Adult)	Diamondhead Edu Center	Burnsville
March 21	March Grade Level*	Diamondhead Edu Center	Burnsville
April 18-19	SCA Statewide Primary/Elementary/Middle Championship Day 1 Lawrence Lampert Memorial Tourney** (9-Adult) SCA Statewide Primary/Elementary/ Middle Championship Day 2	Robbinsdale Middle School	Robbinsdale
May 9	May Open (K-2, K-5, K-8, K-12) & Tournament of Champions (invitational plus USCF Rated)	Diamondhead Edu Center	Burnsville

* **Grade Level Tournaments include ten “grade” sections (one for each grade K-8) plus one section for grades 9-12.**

** **The Lawrence Lampert Memorial Tourney is open to all players, including adults. Entry fees will be applied to the Lawrence Lampert Memorial Chess Scholarship fund.**

All newsletters are sent via email. Please inform us of changes to your email address. Send updates to: registrar@schoolchess.org. Your email address will always be kept confidential and will never be given to any third party.

Be sure your spam filter allows the schoolchess.org. Announcements come from noreply@schoolchess.org Bring a chess set, pencil, notation paper, and a chess clock (if available) to all tournaments. Chess set loaners are no longer available for use during rounds; chess sets may be purchased at the concession area when available.

At-door registration is from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Players who arrive after 8:30 a.m. may not be paired in the 1st round (unless pre-registered and pre-paid). If pre-registered and pre-paid, players must arrive by 8:30 a.m.

AWARDS - SCA awards trophy prizes to the top three players in each section (K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12) and a superior performance trophy to 4th and 5th place in our standard tournaments. Rated section trophies depend on the number of players in that section. Tie breakers are used in all sections when appropriate.

Concessions will be available at all tournaments.

Tournament cancellations announced on the SCA web site and through WCCO radio.

Welcome to a new year of chess.

Entry fees are \$28.00 per player with a \$1.00 discount for each sibling. On-site registration will be \$33.00 per player (and \$32.00 per additional sibling). ID cards are still \$2.00.

Unless pre-registered, a School Chess Association ID card must be brought to all tournaments, including USCF rated chess. The SCA encourages all players to pre-register as this allows for timely starting times.

The statewide championship will have different times and entry fees.

SCA SUMMER CHESS CAMP: CHECK THE SCA WEB PAGE: WWW.SCHOOLCHESS.ORG

Week 1:	June 22-25	Week 5:	July 27-30
Week 2:	July 6-9	Week 6:	Aug 3-6
Week 3:	July 13-16	Week 7:	Aug 10-13
Week 4:	July 20-23		

Chess camp is Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Additional information and registration material will be available online and in the winter newsletter.

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Tournament Venues

PLYMOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL, 10011 36th Avenue North, Plymouth, MN 55441. Take US-169 N to 36th Ave N. Turn left (west) on 36th Ave N and go 0.2 miles to Plymouth Middle School.

ROBBINSDALE MIDDLE SCHOOL, 3730 Toledo Avenue North. Take MN 100 North to 36th Avenue Exit. Turn right onto 36th Avenue. Turn Left onto Regent Ave and take the 2nd left on 37th Avenue then turn right onto Toledo Ave.

DIAMONDHEAD EDUCATION CENTER, 200 Burnsville x way, Burnsville, MN 55337. Take 35W south of the Cities. Take Burnsville Pkwy Exit (2). Turn right onto Burnsville Pkwy. Go 0.6 miles then turn left onto Pillsbury Ave. Go 300 feet then turn left into the parking lot.

Check our [tournament page](#) for complete information about our tournaments.