

Saturday, November 23, 2019
West Hartford Scholastic Chess Camp and Tournament
At Hall High School 975 N. Main St. West Hartford, 06117
\$45 Entry Fee; Pizza Lunch Included

Chess Camp: 9:00 a.m. to Noon

8:45-9:00 a.m. Check in and registration (same day registration \$55)

Starting at 9 am there will be 3 ~ 1hr training classes taught by experienced chess teachers and coaches. Coaches: NM Derek Meredith, Expert Suhas Kodali, Expert Joseph Bihlmeyer. Certificates of Completion awarded to all participants.

Lunch: Noon -12:30

Lunch is included in the registration fee. Parents who stay may add \$5 to the registration fee for their lunch.

Chess Tournament: 12:30 - 3:30

3-SS G/25;d5 In 2 sections, rated and unrated, with accelerated pairings.

3 round tournament where everyone plays 3 games and has 25 minutes to make their moves. Bring a clock if you have one.

Rated Section: ([USCF membership](#) is required). (May be split into 2 sections if there are enough players) Trophies to top High School, Top Middle School, Top Elementary, Top Grade K-3 (conventional tie-breaks used). Affects both quick and regular rating. Trophy to players from the top school (3 players per school team)

Unrated Section: (USCF membership is not required) Trophy to 1st place.

Entry Fee Schedule:

Full Day: Camp + Lunch + Tournament: **\$45 (2nd child family rate: \$30), \$55 on-site (8:30-9:00)**

Camp Only: \$30

Tournament Only: \$15

Same Day Reg. fee, add \$10.

When registering, include **Player Name, USCF ID & Expiration date, school and grade, and Section.** Pay by **secure PayPal link** <https://www.paypal.me/NBChess> or mail to **Norman Burtness c/o Hall High School, 975 N. Main St. West Hartford, CT 06117.**

Training Classes

Hippopotamus, Monkey's Bum, Dragon, Orangutan, Hillbilly Attack, Toilet Variation, Wild Bull, Sicilian Pterodactyl, Creepy Crawly Formation, Fried Liver

Attack. These are all names of chess openings. **NM Derek Meredith** will teach you many of the craziest named openings and give you ideas for how to hone your opening repertoire.

Maneuvers, Tactics, Pawn Breaks, Sacrifices. **Expert Suhas Kodali** will conduct his session on the middle game where **maneuvers** can improve your piece positions, **tactics** can win material, **pawn breaks** can open up lines of attack and **sacrifices** can lead to a massive advantage or checkmate.

Beware of German Words. **Expert Joe Bihlmeyer** will teach you critical aspects of the endgame; how to **Zugswang** your opponent and critical endgame positions you should know how to win or defend against.