THE 2016-17 CSCA CONNECTICUT SCHOLASTIC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

2017 NATIONAL NOMINATIONS CANDIDATES' TOURNAMENT

CSCA and Organizer's Confirmation: Denker Category

The following selected players received formal invitation pursuant to the Rules of the 2016-17 Connecticut National Nominations Selection Process and Rules and formally accepted and confirmed their participation for the Candidates' Tournament, which will take place on April 30, 2017 at the University of New Haven.

<u>Category:</u> Denker Tournament of High School Champions

Matthew Hochberg (USCF 1481) Greens Farms Academy (Fairfield) [NNGP: 8 (7.5/5)]

Jithu Sajeevan (USCF 1693) Bristol Central High School [NNGP: 16 (9.5/9)]

Zachary Tanenbaum (USCF 2250) Greenwich High School [NNGP: 8 (4.0/4)]

Evan Wood (USCF 1368)

Journalism & Media Academy (Hartford)

[NNGP: 15 (10.0/8)]

Seeding Rules: Given that the Candidates' Tournament is three rounds in "Quad-style" format—resulting in two players playing two of three games with white pieces and two players playing two of three games with black pieces—seeding for pairing purposes will be determined by a draw of lots prior to pairings on the day of the event.

-- Alexander Lumelsky, CCO (Organizer) CSCA Tournaments Coordinator

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CSCA and Organizer's Confirmation: Barber Category

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<u>Category:</u> Barber Tournament of K-8 Champions

Ruthvik Ayyagari (USCF 1599) Breakthrough Magnet School (Hartford) [NNGP: 12 (9.0/7)]

Samuel Lumelsky (USCF 1398) King Philip Middle School (West Hartford) [NNGP: 13 (11.0/10)]

Robert Ulmer (USCF 1548)
Brunswick School (Greenwich)
[NNGP: -----]

Brian Weisz (USCF 2111)
Coleytown Middle School (Westport)
[NNGP: -----]

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<u>Category:</u> National Girls' Tournament of Champions

Shesh Budhabhatti (USCF 893) West Hill Elementary School (Rocky Hill) [NNGP: 4 (2.0/1)]

Suma Dendi (USCF 1096)
Betances STEM Magnet School (Hartford)
[NNGP: 7 (3.5/2)]

Beatrice Low (USCF 1474) Greenwich Academy [NNGP: 32 (10.5/10)]

Ann Song (USCF 1264)
East Farms Elementary School (Farmington)
[NNGP: 14 (7.0/6)]

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