

Tournament Director's Report

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**West Hartford Scholastic, NNGP Leg 1 Chess Tournament  
Hall High School, 975 N. Main St, West Hartford CT 06117**

On Saturday, October 28, 2017 the West Hartford Scholastic, NNGP Leg 1 Chess Tournament was held at Hall High School in West Hartford CT.

The tournament was in 3 sections, K-12 NNGP Open, K-12 U1000, and K-12 Unrated (USCF membership not required). The NNGP K-12 Open section constituted the 1<sup>st</sup> leg of 4 legs in the CSCA Scholastic Tournament Series, and was 4-SS G/45;d5. Prizes were distributed to the top 5 in the NNGP section. The K-12 U1000 and Unrated sections were both 5-SS G/25;d5. Prizes were awarded to the top 5 in the U1000 with top 3 U500 class prizes, and team prizes for the top 3 teams. The Unrated section had prizes for top K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12, with 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place awarded as well. The tournament included a pasta lunch, with chips, milk and an ice cream sandwich.

There were 68 players, 22 in NNGP, 31 in U1000 and 15 in the unrated section.

Thanks to all who helped make the tournament a success. 68 enthusiastic young boys and girls played 155 games over the course of 6.5 hours. It was great to see some new faces and some that have been steadily getting much better since I first started directing scholastic tournaments a few years ago. Special thanks to Bob Cyr for helping me to direct, to Vijjaya Yammanuru for assisting all day long, and to Alexander Lumelsky for his great work encouraging scholastic players to get involved in chess.

The following pages show the awarding of NNGP Points, winners in each section with crosstables of results.

**WEST HARTFORD SCHOLASTIC CHESS TOURNAMENT**  
**HALL HIGH SCHOOL**  
**OCTOBER 28, 2017**  
**PRIZES**

**K-12 OPEN (NNGP) - USCF RATED**

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1ST	DANIEL ZHOU	
2ND	JITHU SAJEEVAN	
3RD	JOSHUA BERKUN	
4TH	MATTHEW HOCHBERG	
5TH	BEATRICE LOW	
1ST CT 9-12	JITHU SAJEEVAN	8 NNGP DENKER PTS.
2ND CT 9-12	MATTHEW HOCHBERG	4 NNGP DENKER PTS.
3RD CT 9-12	EVAN WOOD	2 NNGP DENKER PTS.
4TH CT 9-12	DHANUSH KALANGI	1 NNGP DENKER PTS.
1ST CT K-8	DANIEL ZHOU	8 NNGP BARBER PTS.
2ND CT K-8	JOSHUA BERKUN	4 NNGP BARBER PTS.
3RD CT K-8	BEATRICE LOW	2 NNGP BARBER PTS.
4TH CT K-8	ANN SONG	1 NNGP BARBER PTS.
1ST GIRLS	BEATRICE LOW	8 NNGP NGTC PTS.
2ND GIRLS	ANN SONG	4 NNGP NGTC PTS.
3RD GIRLS	SUMA DENDI	2 NNGP NGTC PTS.
4TH GIRLS	SHAINA MEZHERITSKIY	1 NNGP NGTC PTS.

**UNDER 1000 SECTION - USCF RATED**

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1ST	YIFAN JIANG
2ND	ADITYA KURRA
3RD	VEDANTA BHARGAVA
1ST U500	DAVID WU
2ND U500	SUCHIT VEMULA
3RD U500	ALEXANDER BURTNES
1ST TEAM	WESTWOODS UPPER ELEMENTARY (FARMINGTON)
2ND TEAM	NORFELDT ELEMENTARY (WEST HARTFORD)
3RD TEAM	SEDGWICK MIDDLE SCHOOL (WEST HARTFORD)

## UNRATED SECTION

1ST 9-12	NO QUALIFIERS
1ST 6-8	AARNAV SINGH
1ST 3-5	DOMINIC ZHALOV
1ST K-2	KONSTANTINOS PAPASAVAS
2ND OVERALL	MARCO LEONIDAS
3DR OVERALL	JAXON VENTURA

CHIEF DIRECTOR: NORMAN BURTNESSE  
 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: ROBERT CYR

68 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

**Individual player performance for the NNGP Open section and K-12 U1000 sections are found at the [crosstable link](#), and the Unrated is shown in the spreadsheet, below.**

[USCF Crosstable for NNGP and U1000 Sections](#)

### Standings. West Hartford Scholastic - NNGP leg 1 October 2017: Unrated

#	Place	Name	ID	Team	Grd	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	TBrk[M]
1	1-2	DOMINIC ZHALOV		BRAEBURN	5	W7	W5	L2	W9	W3	4	13.5
2		MARCO LEONIDAS		AIKEN	4	W10	W8	W1	L4	W6	4	13
3	3-4	JAXON VENTURA			5	D4	W11	W9	W5	L1	3.5	13.5
4		JACKSON NEIDLE		BRAEBURN	5	D3	W14	W13	W2	L5	3.5	11.5
5		AARNAV SINGH			6	W6	L1	W14	L3	W4	3	14
6		KIRAN SEKARAN		BRAEBURN	5	L5	W7	W11	W8	L2	3	12.5
7		JAKE ZIROLLI		AIKEN	5	L1	L6	W10	W12	W13	3	11
8		DANIEL GOLDMAN			4	B---	L2	W12	L6	W11	3	10.5
9		PARNAV BINOJ		KPM	8	W14	W13	L3	L1	W15	3	9
10		KONSTANTINOS PAPASAVAS		BRAEBURN	2	L2	B---	L7	W15	W14	3	8
11		NATHAN HUANG		AIKEN	4	W12	L3	L6	W13	L8	2	8
12		TARYN JARVIE		BRAEBURN	3	L11	W15	L8	L7	B---	2	5
13		ABHIRAM KUNKALAGUNTLA			3	W15	L9	L4	L11	L7	1	8.5
14		CJ GLOOCH		AIKEN	4	L9	L4	L5	B---	L10	1	8.5
15		ADAM GOLD		AIKEN	4	L13	L12	B---	L10	L9	1	5