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2026



Halloween Action Thriller

Open Event! \$1,200+ in Guaranteed Prizes & Awards!

Costume Prizes! Halloween Treats! Parents FREE in NER!

Immaculate Collegiate Venue; Titled FREE; Onsite Dining

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- Date/Time:** Saturday, October 31, 2026; Round 1 at 11 AM, then ASAP.
[Online registration](#) thru 9 AM on Oct 31. Onsite registration thru 12 PM.
- Location:** Eastern Connecticut State University, 83 Windham Street, Willimantic, CT 06226
- Sec/Rds/TC/Byes:** Open, U1800, U1200, NER; 4 Rounds SS, G/30+3; USCF- & NE-rated; NER NE-rated only; One ½ pt bye in Rds 1-3; Discretionary bye after 9 AM.
- Prizes:** Open: \$400-200; \$100 to Top U2000, Trophy to Champion. U1800: \$250-150; \$100 to Top U1500, Trophy to Amateur Champion. U1200: Trophy to Top 3, Top U900, U700, U500, Unrated. NER: Trophy to Top 3, Top Parent. (Open event.)
- Halloween Prizes:** Trophies for top costumes; sweet treats for players; all welcome to compete in costume and in costume competition. (Costume not required for tournament.)
- Tiebreak:** For 4-0 ties: a) G/10+3 game; if drawn, b) G/3+2 game; if drawn, c) G/5/4+2 game. Seeding/color by USCF tiebreaks. No effect on money prizes. [See n2.]
- Entry Fee:** [Register online](#); \$45 by Oct 27, \$60 by Oct 29, \$80 after. U1200 \$35/45/60. NER \$20/25/30. Titled free by Oct 27, then from prizes. Standard discounts apply [n3].
- USCF ID:** **NEW!** Take \$10 off your USCF ID purchase or renewal onsite at all CSCA events. [CSCA Premium Members](#): \$15 off. For new/expired/expiring IDs only.

Notes: [1] **Onsite Transactions.** All onsite transactions are CASH ONLY. [2] **Tiebreak Modification.** Tiebreak may be modified at the discretion of the organizer. [3] **Standard Discounts.** CSCA offers discounts for [CSCA Premium Members](#), Veterans, Siblings, Seniors 65+, Title I Students and Hardship Cases. Please write to events.CSCA@gmail.com to apply. [4] **Equipment.** All equipment, including clocks/scoresheets, provided. [5] **End Time.** Total time is estimated at 5.5 hours. Expected event end time is 4:30 PM. [6] **Prizes & Tax Requirements.** All prizes are paid via PayPal. Players winning \$2,000 or more in calendar year must submit a W-9 to events.CSCA@gmail.com. [7] **Withdrawal Refund Policy:** To withdraw and request a refund, players MUST email their request to events.CSCA@gmail.com no later than Oct 28. Requests received after deadline, will not be honored. Refunds are subject to \$20 admin fee. [8] **Solicitation Prohibited.** CSCA [Promotion Policy at CSCA Tournaments & Events](#) is in effect. Contact the CSCA for promotional opportunities. [9] **Videography/Photography:** By registering for the event, player/guardian consents to such recordings and relinquishes all rights.