



SW Florida Chess Club

Scholastic Section

Scholastic Chess Section Requirements

The SWFCC is an affiliate of both the USCF and Florida Chess Association. Our goal is to promote chess and help players improve their game. Improvement will come with instruction, study and tournament participation. Due to limited space and the number of interested children, we are accepting children who agree to meet these requirements.

>>Requirements 3, 4, and 5 should be met during the first three months, after joining the Club.

1. All children under 13 years of age must be accompanied by an adult, as per the Estero Recreation Center rules.
2. All children must join the Estero Recreation Center at a \$10 (\$25 family) one-time fee.
3. All scholastic members agree to eventually become a USCF member. By becoming a USCF member and participating in tournaments, the student will get a national ranking. Competition is an important part of chess. Join or renew here: <https://secure2.uschess.org/webstore/member.php>
4. All scholastic members agree to eventually participate in USCF rated tournaments. Tournaments are held on the first Saturday of every month. A minimum of one tournament per quarter is required, however, the student will benefit by playing more tournament games.
5. All scholastic members agree to eventually have their own USCF approved tournament set and clock. The Club has a limited supply used for new members only. Purchase here: <http://www.uscfsales.com/chess-sets/club-chess-sets.html>
6. All scholastic members agree to eventually know and use chess notation to record the moves of their tournament games. Recording the moves of the game is a chess rule required in time controls of G/30 and slower. Also, going over your games is a great improvement tool.
7. All scholastic members must be familiar with and use a chess clock during tournaments.
8. All scholastic members agree to complete chess lessons or homework assigned to the group.
9. All scholastic members agree to abide by the "SWFCC Rules of Conduct". Available here: http://www.swfloridachessclub.com/Rules_of_Conduct.pdf
10. By becoming a member of the SW Florida Chess Club's Scholastic Section, you agree to meet these requirements. **Requirements 3, 4, and 5 should be met by the end of the first quarter, after joining the Club.**