

Chess Club



Why should your child play chess?

- ❖ Studies by Temple University have shown that two years of formal chess education can improve a child's academic performance by one letter grade and between 5 and 15 IQ points. The state of Utah currently offers chess education in every elementary school in the state. Give your child the benefits of a classical chess education by signing up for the Spring Semester of SMS After School Chess.

About the Instructor

Robert Haines

- ❖ National Master
- ❖ USCF Certified Chess Coach

Structure

- ❖ **Monday and Wednesday Chess Clubs** will have different emphases.
 - Monday Classes will focus on Beginners (teaching basic rules and preparing students to think about and apply basic chess concepts).
 - Wednesday classes will focus on Advanced Players (preparing students to compete in state and national scholastic tournaments). The SMS Chess Team competes against other schools in the Albuquerque Scholastic Chess League.
- ❖ **Eligibility:** K-5th. Each class limited to 22 students.
- ❖ **Cost:** \$170 for one student or \$300 for two or more students from the same family.
- ❖ **When:**

<u>Beginner Focus:</u>	Monday 3:10-4:15	January 9 – May 21, 2012
<u>Advanced Focus:</u>	Wednesday 3:10-4:15	January 4 – May 23, 2012
- ❖ **Where:** Art Room
- ❖ **Questions:** Contact Robert Haines: Phone 254-2542

Please fill out the registration form below and return to the office. Checks should be made out to **Robert Haines**.

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Chess Club Monday or Wednesday

My child, _____, has permission to attend the Sunset Mesa Chess on
 ____ Monday or ____ Wednesday. Student's Grade Level: ____

Parent Phone Number: _____ Parent E-mail: _____

Parent Signature: _____