

Norman Chess Club Policies and Rules 2019-2020

1. Norman Chess club is run and coached by high school student volunteers and parents. We strive to provide a well organized teaching and learning environment. Annual membership fees are used to pay off club website domain cost, tournament lunch and other basic expenses. Parents may withdraw enrollment if it does not meet your expectations. Membership fee will not be refunded after registration deadline.
2. Club meeting starts at 7:15 PM. Parents need to confirm there is a club meeting when dropping off your players. **Players under the age of 8 must have a parent or guardian present during the entire meeting.** Please arrive on time in order to receive the full benefit of instruction and game time. Players need to be ready to play chess upon arrival. Club meeting ends at 8:15 PM. Parents need to come inside for pickup, and help us gather and store chess equipment, tables, and chairs.
3. Players are divided into two groups – competitive and recreational, based on their playing strength and experience. Playing against members of the same group is expected. Players should not refuse pairings arranged by coaches and volunteers.
4. Chess is a quiet game. Handle chess pieces, boards and clock carefully with respect. Players need to remain in seat. No running or goofing around. Talk softly and only when appropriate. All eyes and ears must be on the coach during instruction. No alternate games or toys (including electronics) are allowed.
5. **Players poor conduct (refer to rule 3 & 4) in club meetings will first result in a warning, second in notifying parents. If the poor conduct continues, the player may be asked to leave the room.**
6. **The Norman Chess Club has twenty four meetings each academic year. K-5 players are expected to attend all club meetings. Missing more than 1/4 of the meetings without notice will forfeit your membership. Experienced middle school players and high school volunteers are required to attend a minimum of six meetings, and will serve as teaching assistants/coaches during meetings.**
7. Players in competitive group are required to attend a minimum of **three** chess tournaments each academic year. Players in recreational group are required to attend a minimum of **one** chess tournament each academic year.
8. **All players are expected to attend the end of season club annual meeting/tournament. A pre-charge of \$15 is due at membership registration and is not refundable. One MVP (most valuable player) and one MIP (most improved player) will be selected and announced based on player's tournament performance and participation in club activities.**
9. Parents are required to do a minimum of two hours of volunteer each academic year; **one hour each semester.** Failure to meet the hours equals a fine of \$15/ hour. Responsibilities include: setting up tables, chairs and chess boards before meeting, organizing and coaching players during meetings, and/or helping to organize chess tournaments, order and pick up lunch during tournaments, etc.
10. **If there are major disciplinary problems, including spreading slander, cheating during play, and other conduct that intentionally endanger chess club, the parents/players may be asked to leave the club.**
11. Norman Chess Club reserves the right to use any photograph/video taken at any event sponsored by NCC, without the expressed written permission of those included within the photograph/video. NCC may use the photograph/video in publications or other media material produced, including but not limited to: brochures, newspapers, websites, etc.

Signature: _____ Date: _____.