

This is a closed Kansas Grade Championships
Open to any K-12 student of a Kansas School or Kansas K-12 student resident.

2021 Kansas Grade Championships
January 16, 2021
Online Grade Championship on chess.com/live

IMPORTANT DEADLINE

Thursday, January 14, 2021, 9:00PM-

Register your player online at <https://www.kingregistration.com/register/2021KSCAGrades>
Please read the registration instructions below carefully so that you do not miss this critical deadline. There is no registration on Saturday morning or by e-mail, **so please register by this date and time.**

Registration: Video tutorial on registration for the tournament: <https://youtu.be/1zbUVo9-620>

1. Go to the [registration page](#).
2. Put your USCF or KSCA ID # in the "USCF ID" field.
 - a. Search the [KSCA Database](#) if you do not remember your ID #.
 - b. If you are a brand new KSCA player, skip this step.
3. Enter your first and last name, preferably as it appears in the KSCA database.
4. Select your grade level.
5. Provide the chess.com username
 - a. Do not have an chess.com account? First time playing on chess.com? Go to <https://www.chess.com/register> to register for a free chess.com account.
6. Enter your address, city, state, zip, school name, and e-mail address as these are required fields.
7. Select your section, which for this tournament is your grade level.
8. Select any requested byes - Players may request only one half-point bye for rounds 1, 2, 3, or 4 if done so with online registration.
9. Click "Add to Cart", then Click "Checkout". You will receive a window that states "Registration Complete" as well as an e-mail confirmation. You may also view the entry list at: <https://www.kingregistration.com/entrylist/2021KSCAGrades>

Tournament Pairings and Standings:

This Google Sheet will have the player's list, pairings and standings. Players should only view this information when they are not playing their round's game:

[2021 Kansas Grade Level Championships' Google Sheet](#)

On the day of the tournament:

All tournament games will be manually paired using the higher of USCF or KSCA ratings and manually started on chess.com. All players should be ready to play by signing into www.chess.com/live , at least 5 minutes before the start of each round. They should not be playing any bullet/blitz games before the start the round. The Chief TD will start the games at the scheduled round times manually so it might take 2-3 minutes for all games to start; please be patient. Players may take a break in-between rounds, so long as they return to www.chess.com/live before the start of the round time.

Round 1 – 9:00AM

Round 2 – 10:30 AM

Round 3 – 12:00 PM

Round 4 – 1:30 PM

Round 5 – 3:00 PM

Event Rules:

- The main ruleset for this event is the [US Chapter 10: Online Chess Rules](#). KSCA Tie-break system will be used as mentioned in “Prizes.”
- All players agree to play their game fairly, without the use of any assistance, including but not limited to, computer chess engines, databases, chess books, magazines, written notes and/or another person. Violation of this rule is subject to penalties, including but not limited to, forfeiture of game, forfeiture of tournament, and being barred all KSCA tournaments.
- While playing, players can only have chess.com browser open and the tournament Pairings/Standings page open --- all other programs on their computer, including notifications, should be turned off. It is **highly recommended** that the player does not switch to another program or tab while their game is in progress to prevent this “technical violation”. If other programs or tabs are found to be opened, this constitutes a “technical violation”, and your player may be removed from the tournament and all games declared lost.

Qualifications:

- All players must meet KSCA Eligibility requirements. Info: [KSCA Eligibility](#)
- Has an chess.com account that is in good standing

Format:

5 rounds swiss system, Game in 30 minutes with a 5 second increment. The higher of the USCF/KSCA rating will be used for pairing purposes --- the chess.com rating has no effect on the pairings. There is no team protection for this tournament as there is no team prizes. **Chief TD reserves the right to combine smaller sections in order to ensure 5 rounds of play.** All players will play their games on chess.com live server which is www.chess.com/live

Byes:

Players may request only one half-point bye for rounds 1, 2, 3, or 4 if done so with online registration.

Prizes:

The top player, clear 1st or by KSCA tiebreaks, in each grade level is the 2021 Kansas Grade Champion for their grade level. KSCA Tiebreaks: Modified Median, Median, Solkoff, Sonneborn-Berger, Cumulative, Coin flip. All results are considered tentative until the chess.com has completed their fairplay analysis of the tournament; the final standings will be announced on the KSCA website.

Entry Fee: None.

Tournament Staff: Chief TD: NTD Brian Yang; Chess Control via Zoom: NTD CJ Armenta & LTD Kyle Camarda

Questions? Brian Yang, Chief TD, yang.brian@ymail.com