

# **Grant Memorial Presbyterian School**

## **Chess Club Rules (Revised June 2011)**

**We will all have fun if we all follow the rules.**

1. Members will proceed directly to the Library after school, arriving no later than 3:30 pm
2. Members must check in with the Facilitator at the beginning of the meeting and must ask for permission to leave the meeting room for any reason prior to the end of the meeting at 5:00 pm.
3. No snacks or drinks are allowed on the same table as the chess sets. Members may bring snacks to eat at the beginning of the meeting in the snack/training area before the first match begins.
4. Members must respect the school rules that are extended to the Chess club.
5. Member's parents are encouraged to visit and help at club meetings.
6. Members will get their name sticker at the start of the meeting and wear it for the entire meeting.
7. Match pairings and tables may be assigned at each meeting, and players asked to record their games.
8. The players first assigned the white pieces will be assigned a chess set, and possibly a chess tournament clock. You must use a clock if it is placed at your board.
9. Chess sets must be kept together on the assigned table at all times, with pieces returned to starting position immediately following each game.
10. No communication with anyone other than the opponent during the first match of each meeting, if it is an official tournament round to be recorded for club ratings and tournament results. You may ask adults or designated coaches for a ruling on a move or how a piece can move or capture.
11. No communication of any kind with anyone playing a tournament game, or creating a distraction by talking or other noises nearby. Please respect the need of an environment for concentration.
12. Touched pieces must be moved or captured if legally possible.
13. Raise hand high for assistance from an adult or designated coach.
14. Standard FIDE Chess Federation rules of play.
15. Good sportsmanship and manners are expected at all time. Ask the Facilitator to help with any disagreement you have trouble resolving.
16. Immediately following the first (tournament) match, the winning player will notify organizer of game result, for tournament scoring documentation. Game results not reported will be considered a draw.
17. Tournament matches assigned chess clocks and not completed at the end of the meeting will be won on time by the player having used the least amount of time, unless the position on the board clearly favors the other. Matches not using clocks will be ended on time as a draw, unless the position on the board clearly favors one of the opponents as determined by the two highest rated players present (excluding those playing the game in question). If the two can not agree, then the game will be a draw.
18. Chess club equipment must remain in the club meeting room or storage area.
19. Parents are responsible for replacement cost of any club equipment lost or damaged by their child.
20. Members must be accompanied by an adult representing the chess club or school till parent arrives.
21. Parents MUST arrange transportation home after meetings for their child no later than 5.30 pm, if signed permission to walk home has not been received.
22. Membership may be suspended or revoked without reimbursement for misbehavior or violation of club rules.
23. Members will not be allowed to participate in club meetings until Term fees are paid.
24. Parents who have concerns must address them to the Chess Club Facilitator.